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Judge to speak to SOC campers

The public is invited to the Save Our Children Center at 405 Nacaise Avenue at 1 p.m. today. Summer campers will hear an address from Chancellor Margaret Alfonso of the Eighth Chancery Court District, which serves Harrison, Hancock and Stone counties. SOC Chairperson Geraldine Lang said parents "should come and hear the judge's remarks."

Parents of kids with disabilities

Parents of children with disabilities attending the Bay-Waveland schools are invited to meet with June Reaves, director of Special Services, to review tentative plans and help develop the IDEA project application for the next school year. A meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 12, at 8:30 a.m. at the special education office at 201 Carroll Ave., Bay St. Louis. For more information, call 467-1021.

Fish dinner set at Jones U.M.C.

Valena C. Jones is having a fish dinner this Friday, June 9, from 11 a.m. until. Dinners will be \$5 per plate. Delivery is available. Call 467-9629.

Historical lunch set for society

Waveland author and oceanographer Paul Estronza LaViolette will be the speaker at the June luncheon meeting of the Hancock County Historical Society at noon, Thursday, June 14, at the Loblano House, 108 Cue St.

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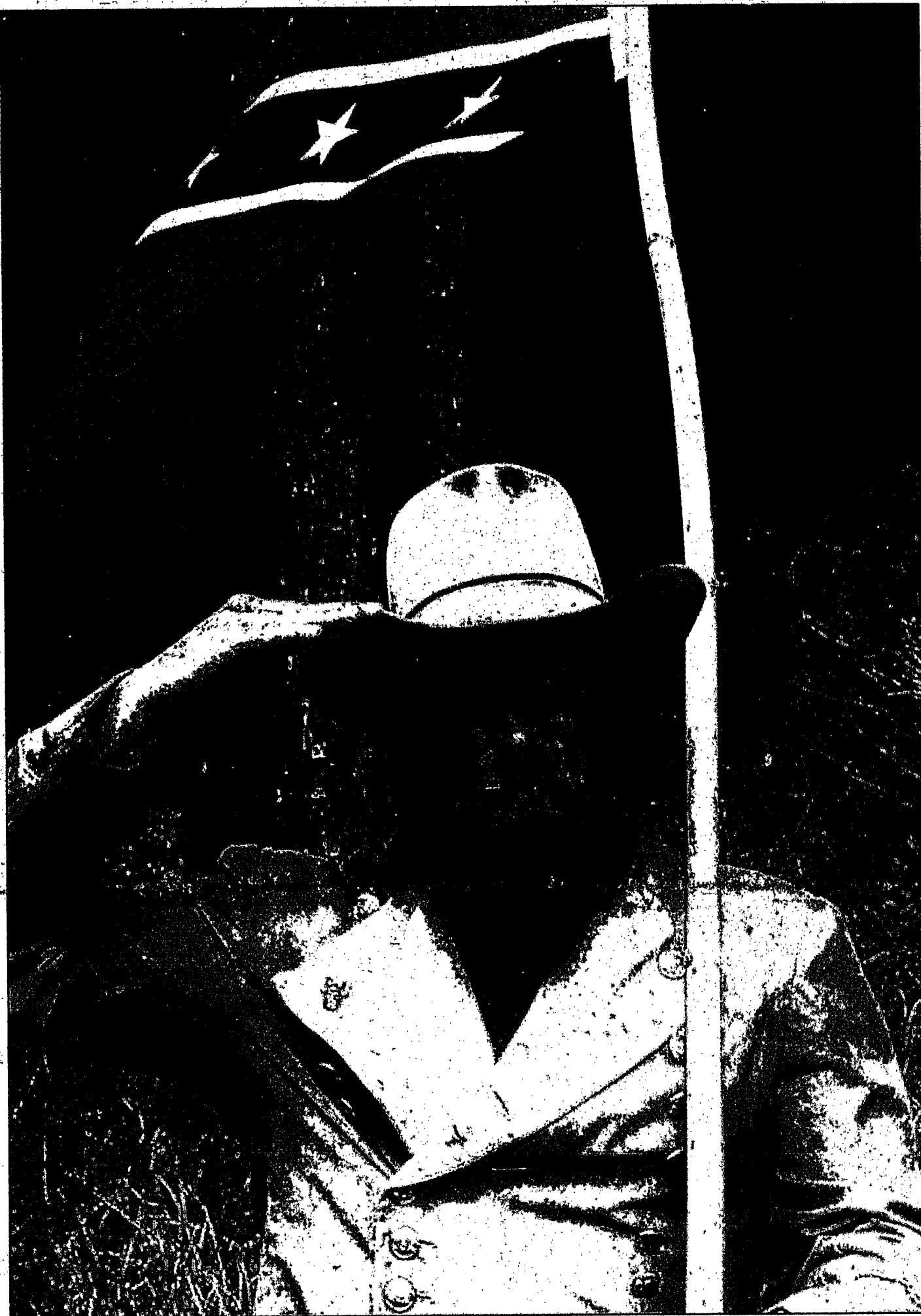
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Terry Busby, a self-styled "hermit" from Buzzard Roost near Moss Point, marched through Hancock County Tuesday as part of his three-state freedom march to exercise his right to bear the Confederate battle flag.

Mississippi man on three-state 'freedom march'

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

His detractors might call him a rebel without a clue, but he calls himself a man fighting to be free. To many, the Confederate battle flag is an antiquated symbol of a tragic past, a dark legacy of slavery and hate. Terry Busby, however, sees no irony in the fact that he's spent the past two weeks marching across three states in full Confederate dress, waving the battle flag in the name of freedom.

Busby is a self-styled hermit who for the last ten years has lived in a small house with no electricity or running water back in the woods at Buzzard Roost near Moss Point. He began his march from Alabama in late May, crossing into Mississippi and passing through Hancock County on Tuesday. He stopped briefly at Lakeshore on his way to the Louisiana state line.

Busby began his journey in a one-man bid to preserve what he deems our "American heritage" in the wake of recent efforts to remove the symbol

from the Mississippi state flag.

"This ain't no foreign flag, and this ain't no foreign uniform," Busby said Tuesday. "That rebel flag -- we all know what it is. It's our history. It's American history. And whether some people like it or not, it's still our history. ... People fought and died to preserve it. We will disgrace every soldier that ever fought in any war for freedom if our flag is taken away from us -- they fought so we could fly that flag if we wanted too."

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War may be over, but in the South, the battle still rages

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

The war may have ended 135 years ago, but many of the scars still haven't healed, and at least one battle -- the debate over the Confederate flag -- still rages.

Last year, the Associated Press reported that the Mississippi state Supreme Court had decided to reinstate a six-year-old lawsuit brought by

the NAACP against the use of the stars and bars in the state's banner.

In the ruling, Justice Fred Banks said the flag "has been used throughout history, not only to commemorate the sacrifices made in support of the Confederacy but, most importantly, as a symbol of white supremacy."

State Rep. Ed Blackmon, one of the

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Rev. Francis Theriault

Waveland considers ban on all 'bad dogs'

BY BENNIE WEDGWOOD
Staff Writer

"Dogs have more rights than humans in the City of Waveland," Marilyn Mavor said in a letter she presented to the Mayor and Aldermen at Monday night's workshop.

Mavor was just one of many citizens who turned out this week to express varying views on the changes to the city's domestic animal ordinances proposed by Waveland Animal Shelter Director Curtis Quate.

Quate was on hand to answer questions, but there was such controversy that everyone present agreed that more time and input was needed before voting on changes. Quate said it was important to him to give people a chance to be heard and listen to the views of others so that when ordinances were passed, no one would feel that they did not get a chance to speak their views.

Aldermen voted Tuesday night to authorize

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Supervisors say 'No' to request to stop fireworks

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Hancock County supervisors are reluctant to ban the sale and use of fireworks during the approaching Fourth of July celebrations.

County Fire Marshal Richard Pate made that suggestion to supervisors meeting on Monday, as heavy thundershowers approached the area, but could not convince the Board to take action now.

"We're in a very bad situation," Pate told supervisors. He said people were lining up in Bay St. Louis and Waveland and in the county preparing to put up stands to sell the fireworks.

With current drought conditions, Pate said

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Officials say the intersection and Drinkwater and busy U.S. Hwy. 90 is more dangerous now that a new Wendy's restaurant has opened.

Drinkwater intersection 'even more dangerous'

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

The new Wendy's near Drinkwater and busy U.S. Hwy. 90 has made a dangerous situation even more dangerous, county officials say.

There's no light at the busy intersection, which is the main entrance to Hancock

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HAZEL BAZZELLE
 Hazel R. Bazzelle, 54, of Ansley, died Wednesday, June 7, 2000, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Bazzelle was a native of New Orleans.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Laurier and Norma Romero Perry.

Survivors include her husband, Morris Bazzelle, Sr. of New Orleans; sons Morris Bazzelle, Jr. of Kenner, Gordon Bazzelle of Angie, La. and Michael Bazzelle of Ansley; a daughter, Linda Ann Bazzelle of New Orleans; brothers David Charles Perry, Jr. of Marrero and Henry Perry of Ferryday, La.; sisters Norma Perry, Helen Duffrene and Gladys Hasselbeck, all of Kenner; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be private. Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

MILDRED BRYANT
 Mildred Grant Bryant, 96, of Pass Christian, died Monday, June 5, 2000, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Bryant was a native of New Orleans and was a resident of New Orleans and Pass Christian. She was a retired government employee.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ambrose Sewall Bryant; and her parents, Walter Henry and Blanche Agnes Gazan Grant.

Survivors include a son, R.

Bruce Bryant of Hiwassee, Ga.; a daughter, Sally B. Lindsley of Diamondhead; a brother, Walter H. Grant, Jr. of New Orleans; seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A private memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

MARY A. DANIELS
 Mary Alice Antoine Daniels, 50, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, June 3, 2000, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Daniels was born Nov. 10, 1949, in Bay St. Louis and was a long-time resident of Pass Christian. She was employed as a school crossing guard in Pass Christian and was a volunteer with the Little League in Pass Christian. She was a member of Little Zion Baptist Church in Waveland.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Dorothy Antoine; her father, Sidney Saucier; stepfather Robert Henry Sr.; and two brothers, Ronald Henry and Joe Joshaway.

Survivors include her husband, Samuel Daniels of Pass Christian; five sons, Thomas Antoine of Picayune, Darryl Antoine of Atlanta, Nialkea Antoine, Samuel Daniels and Shaquille Daniels; two daughters, Meshelle Antoine and Deven Daniels; her mother, Valena Dorsey Henry of Pass Christian; three sisters, Florestine Laneaux and Roberta Hall, all of Pass Christian; and Janice Gilum of Waveland; four brothers, Robert Henry of Waveland, Micheal Henry, J.W. Henry and Herman Henry, all of Pass Christian; and seven grandchildren.

A service will be at 11 a.m. today, June 8, at Little Zion Baptist Church in Waveland where friends may call one hour before service time. Burial will be in Waveland Cemetery. Lockett-Williams Mortuary in Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.

JOHN JAY DARDAR



In Memoriam
 In Loving Memory
 of
RANEZ K. MORREALE
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Dear Mom
 It's been one year today that you left and went to Heaven. We know you are really happy, but we miss you so very much. We never realized what missing and leaving someone was until we lost you. But like you always taught us, life goes on and to make the best of it. We want to tell you how much we love you and how much we miss you. We love you and miss you more than life itself.
 Love, your Daughter & Sons



In Memoriam
 In Loving Memory
 of
KEVIN EDWARD ODEGAARD
 Feb. 17, 1965

It has been one year since that dreadful day when your life was taken away by a crazy man, you gave a waitress her freedom, at the cost of my son. I never knew how important you meant to me as your Dad until this tragic day. I would have given anything to be by your side, to go with you, like Kenny did. At least I know in my heart you're in Heaven. I love and miss you so much the pain will never leave my heart.
 Your Dad,
 Curtis

John Jay Dardar, 26, of Chalmette, died Sunday, June 4, 2000, in Chalmette.

Mr. Dardar was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Chalmette. He attended Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church in Chalmette.

Survivors include his father, Robert A. Dardar of Bay St. Louis; his mother and stepfather, Deborah Hood and James P. Goudeau of Diamondhead; three brothers, Phillip A. Dardar, Adam S. Dardar and Stephen Mr. Dardar, all of Waveland; and a sister, Jamie A. Goudeau of Diamondhead.

Visitation will be Friday, June 9, 1-2 p.m. at St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland followed by celebration of a Mass of Christian Burial. Interment will be in Waveland Cemetery.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

FRANK HESS
 Frank Hess, 66, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, June 7, 2000 in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

BEATRICE JOSEPH
 Beatrice Joseph, 84, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, June 6, 2000, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

GANNON D. LEARY
 Gannon-Dennis Leary, 85, of Waveland, died Monday, June 5, 2000, in Waveland.

Mr. Leary was born Nov. 17, 1914 in New Orleans. He was graduated from S. J. Peters High School in New Orleans in 1932. He was a resident of Waveland for more than 20 years, was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland, and was retired from Southern Bell.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Hall Leary, his parents, John and Mary Ellen Clark Leary; a sister, Norma Ann Hein; and three brothers, Noel Anthony Leary, Prieur James Leary and John Terrence Leary.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Rita Leary Robichaux of Harahan; a brother, Albert Lawrence Leary of Austin, Texas; two special nieces, Shannon Leary Ladner and Pam Bonura Wakeman and numerous other nieces and nephews.

Mass will be celebrated Saturday, June 10 at 11 a.m. at St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland where friends may call after 10 a.m. Burial will follow in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

ELIZABETH V. LITTLE
 Elizabeth V. Little, 87, of Pass Christian, died June 4, 2000, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Little was born August 31, 1912, in Nashville, Tenn., and had resided on the Coast since 1981.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Richard Linnies Taylor and Annie Lillian Taylor; three brothers, Richard Edward Taylor, Roy Watkins Taylor and William Charles Taylor; one sister, Annie Margaret Taylor; and one step-great-grandson, Benjamin White.

Survivors include a daughter, Beverly Cassibry and husband, James, of Long Beach; four grandsons, Roy Cassibry and wife, Ann-Marie, of Hampton, VA, Mark Cassibry and wife, Sandra, of Perkinston, Dennis Cassibry and wife, Tomi, of Biloxi, and Gary Cassibry and wife, Kelly, of Long Beach; eight great-grandchildren and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday at the St. John Catholic Church in Gulfport followed by services and burial in Long Beach Cemetery.

Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

VICTOR MAURICE SR.
 Victor Glen Maurice Sr., 50, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, June 2, 2000, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Maurice was a native of St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo Paul Maurice and Doris Maurice, and a brother, Morris Maurice.

Survivors include three sons, Mission Cooks, Victor Glen Maurice Jr. and Lionel Maurice, all of Gulfport; three daughters, Kizzy Maurice and Earth Robertson, both of Bay St. Louis, and Tammy Maurice of Slidell; two brothers, Leo Maurice Sr. of Merrillville, Ind., and Gary Maurice of Pass Christian; five sisters, Edna Newell, Paula Avery, Christine Maurice, and Erin Page, all of Bay St. Louis, and Yvette Maurice Jackson of Redlands, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

Services were conducted Wednesday at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church. Burial was in St. Mary Cemetery. Baylous Funeral Home in Picayune was in charge of arrangements.

RANDAL C. RADA
 Randal C. Rada, age unavailable, of Waveland, died Sunday, May 21, 2000, in Waveland.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

MYRTLE SCARBOROUGH
 Myrtle L. "Myrt" Scarborough, 64, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, June 6, 2000, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Scarborough was a lifelong resident of Pass Christian and was a graduate of Pass Christian High School. She was employed by Pass Christian Industries as a seamstress for more than 34 years and was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church in Pass Christian.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Carrie Cuevas; stepfather, Leander Cuevas; father, William A. Scarborough; twin sister, Myrtis; a brother, George Eugene; five half-brothers, Oliver, J.D., Freddie, Dub, and George Ellis; and two half-sisters, Bertha Scooper and Gladys Pervus.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and Pam Scarborough; daughter and son-in-law, Donna and Bruce Reader; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild, all of Pass Christian; four sisters, Betty Allen, Rachel Deshong, Willie Ann Scarborough and Callie Moore; a half-sister, Clara Woodcock; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Wednesday at Riemann Funeral Home Chapel in Pass Christian. The funeral will be at 10 a.m. today, June 8, at First Baptist Church in Pass Christian. Burial will be in Gulf Pines Memorial Gardens in Long Beach.

The family prefers donations to First Baptist Church in Pass Christian.

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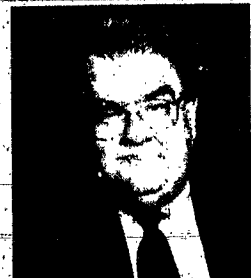
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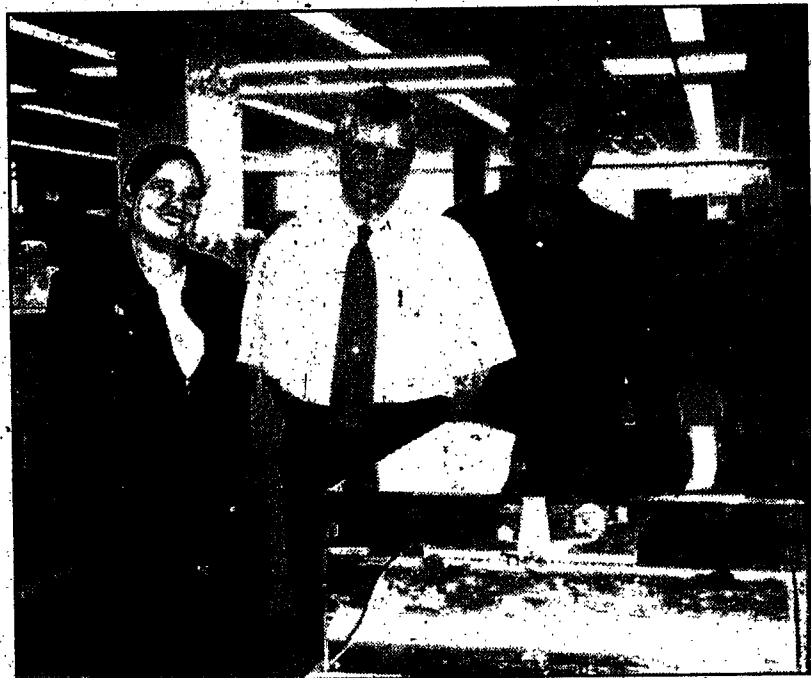
Anniversary

Garcia's to celebrate 50th



Eldridge and Natalie Garcia

Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Garcia of Lakeshore will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 10, 1 p.m. at the Bilbo's residence, 6058 Dan Garcia Road, Lakeshore. Mr. and Mrs. Garcia were married in Bay St. Louis. She is the former Eldridge Favre, a native of Bay St. Louis. Mr. Garcia is a native of Lakeshore. The couple are the parents of four daughters, Rebecca Carver, Karen Smith, Cheryl Bilbo, all of Lakeshore and Ruth Hensley of Gulfport. They have nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Mr. Garcia is retired from the Painters Local Union. Family and friends are invited to the anniversary celebration. For further information, call 467-2778, or 467-1918.



Pass Christian Lighthouse on display

A scale model of the Pass Christian Lighthouse, 1831-1882, is now on display at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library. The scale model and landscape was created and presented to the Pass Christian Tricentennial Committee by Buddy Diboll. Rebuilding of the lighthouse is planned in the near future. Heading the architectural effort and general construction will be architect John Mykolyk. Pictured here with Buddy Diboll, right, are David Woodburn, library assistant director, and Jeanne Pierce, public service coordinator.

William Carey College graduates 340

A total of 340 students received degrees during the William Carey College spring commencement. President Larry Kennedy conferred the 243 undergraduate and 97 graduate degrees.

Area graduates earning degrees include:
Bay St. Louis: Michelle Beauregard, Master of Business Administration; Cynthia Collier, Master of Education; Kathryn Fitzpatrick, Master of Education; Kurt Raymond, Master of Business Administration; Dave Taylor, Sr., Bachelor of Science
Kiln: Alice Van Lieu, Master of Education
Waveland: Joaquin Valle, Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Engagement

Fricke-Saucier



Heather Fricke and Frank Saucier

Mr. and Mrs. Guy D. Fricke of Bay St. Louis announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Heather Renee Fricke, to Frank Joseph Saucier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernine J. Saucier of Rocky Hill.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Hancock High School and is presently attending Jefferson Davis Community College. She is employed part-time with Hancock Bank and the Central Christian Day Care.

The prospective groom attended Hancock High School and is employed with Shamrock Construction.

The garden wedding will take place Saturday, June 10 at 5 p.m. at 9084 Fricke Road, Bay St. Louis. A reception will follow at the Civic Center on Longfellow Drive in Bay St. Louis.



Be kind to animals

North Bay Elementary students assist Waveland Animal Shelter Director Curtis Quite in loading food and supplies for the shelter. The students collected more than 100 items in the food supply drive for the shelter. The drive was held in celebration of Be Kind To Animals Month.



Bay High in the Magic Kingdom

The Bay High Tiger Pride Marching Band, the JROTC and the Bay High-Steppers Dance Team recently performed in Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom in the Magic Music Days Character Parade.

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"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

The Hancock County Farmers Market continues to grow with vendors and the items one can purchase. The local Farmers Market is located behind the Hancock County Civic Center and Human Services offices on Longfellow Road.

It is open on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 6 a.m. to noon.

It is always good to purchase farm-fresh vegetables, such as those Creole tomatoes which are now available.

There are all types of vegetables, preserves, shrubs, flowers, shrimp, and just about anything.

Many of the vendors have been providing their produce, etc., for many years at the market.

I visit there on occasion and see many of the same faces in customers, too.

If you haven't been to the Farmers Market, you may want to give it a visit. Many folks arrive very early to get the best selections they say.

In a united effort, BellSouth, Hancock County Chamber of Commerce and Hancock County Civil Defense will present a *Business Continuity Planning Workshop* on Thursday, June 15, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The workshop is to be held at the Bay St. Louis Depot.

Speakers will include representatives from BellSouth Customer Markets, Internet Security Systems, Federal Emergency Management Agency and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Discussions will include on how a business needs to be prepared for all types of natural, civil or technological hazards.

There will be information about the types of hazards that could occur and how to protect yourself, your employees and your business during a hazardous situation, such as hurricane, severe weather or even business threats.

There is no charge to attend this special workshop, and all you have to do to reserve a seat by calling the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce at 467-9048.

It was good to step outside Wednesday morning and enjoy some cooler temperatures. The only problem was that it warmed up within a few hours.

The Library Foundation of Hancock County has an interesting program underway titled *Pave the Path to ... the Kiln Library*.

The new Kiln Library is such a lovely facility, and there are several things which can be done to enhance the facility. The creations of a brick walkway is one of them.

Your general support of \$50 will be reflected permanently in an etched brick at the Kiln Library.

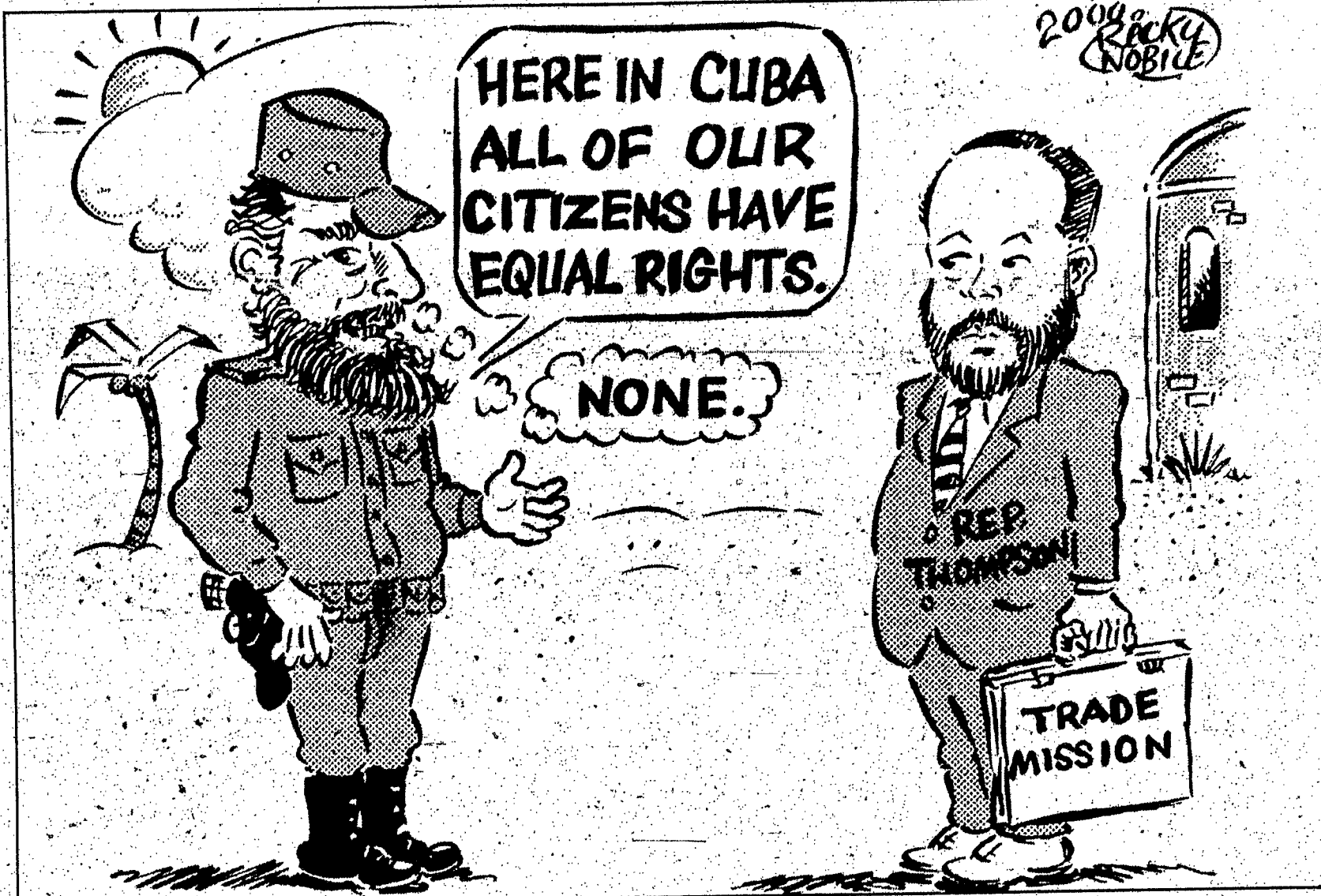
This will be a permanent endowment for books and programs at the newest library facility in Hancock County.

Each brick may have three lines, and each line up to 14 characters, including spaces, punctuation marks and titles. I am sure many will be "In Memory Of" or "In Honor Of."

This would be a great way to remember someone special in your family or a friend. One of the great things is, the permanent endowment will really benefit the Kiln Library.

The Library Foundation of Hancock County, along with many others, work hard to bring our county the best library system in our state.

We may all be very proud of our library system. Forms for the *Pave the Path ... to the Kiln Library* are available at any library facility in the county.



Up in smoke

The truth about tar and nicotine ratings

Why do some smokers choose "low tar" and "light" cigarettes? Because they think these cigarettes may be less harmful to their health than regular cigarettes.

The Federal Trade Commission wants you to know that cigarette tar and nicotine ratings can't predict the amount of tar and nicotine you get from any particular cigarette.

That's because how you smoke a cigarette can significantly affect the amount of tar, nicotine and carbon monoxide you get from your cigarette.

Research indicates that many smokers of "low tar" or "light" cigarettes compensate by taking deeper, longer, or more frequent puffs from their cigarettes.

The amount of tar and nicotine a smoker actually gets also can increase if the smoker unintentionally blocks tiny ventilation holes in cigarette filters that are designed to dilute smoke with air.

When it comes to "low tar" and "light" cigarettes, the FTC wants you to know:

- The tar and nicotine numbers used in advertising and on packaging are determined using a smoking machine - a smoking "robot" so to speak - that smokes every brand of cigarette exactly the same way.

- The numbers do not represent the amount of tar and nicotine a particular smoker may get. First, people don't smoke cigarettes the same way

the machine does; second, no two people smoke the same way.

- Many lower tar cigarettes have filters with very small vent holes in the sides that allow air to dilute the smoke in each puff. It's easy for smokers to cover the holes unknowingly; that results in them getting more tar and nicotine.

- It's impossible to tell from the ratings the amount of tar and nicotine a smoker will get from any cigarette.

- Smokers of lower nicotine cigarettes tend to compensate for the lower nicotine by taking deeper and more frequent puffs than they would from a regular cigarette.

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- Smoking "low tar" or "light" cigarettes does not eliminate the health risks of smoking. If you're concerned about the health risks of smoking, stop smoking.

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TECHNICALITIES

By State Auditor
Phil Bryant
SCHOOLS

Q May a school district purchase asphalt from vendors used by the board of supervisors without bidding or taking quotes?

A Yes, Section 31-7-13(m)(xxiii) exempts "Purchases of commodities made by school districts from vendors with which the levying authority of the school district, as defined in Section 37-57-1, has contracted through competitive bidding procedures for purchase of the same commodities." This authority exempts those purchases by the school district from purchasing bid requirements.

Q Are school districts required to bid for garbage collection and sewage collection?

A No. Section 31-7-13(m)(xxvi) states that "Contracts for garbage collection or disposal, contracts for solid waste collection or disposal and contracts for sewage collection or disposal" are exempt from bidding requirements.

Note that in Section 31-7-13(t), if such contracts are in excess of \$50,000, a governing authority shall issue publicly a request for proposals for the same and in the same manner as purchases which involve expenditures of \$10,000 or more.

The total amount of the individual contract that will be signed would be used in determining this requirement.

Q Can a school district rent uniforms for its maintenance and/or transportation staff without following the purchasing laws?

A No. According to an Attorney General's opinion dated June 22, 1989, to Embury, if the governing authority rents uniforms instead of purchasing them, it "must utilize a competitive bidding procedure in order to obtain the lowest possible cost for the rental as set in Section 31-7-13, as amended." The total amount of the rental contract that will be signed would be used in determining this requirement.

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EYES ON MISSISSIPPI

By Bill Minor



Lawmakers sweeten their retirement

Irate letter-to-the-editor writers have already done a good job of castigating legislators for stealthily sticking a juicy retirement plum in a bill at the last-minute for themselves, but I feel the need to add my perspective to the debate.

In short, legislators fattened their very own retirement fund - which really shouldn't exist in the first place - costing taxpayers at least \$1 million a year more, at the same time they were telling school teachers and state workers there was no money to give them a raise.

With the latest enrichment of their retirement law, some lawmakers with lengthy service could easily retire on \$30,000 plus per year.

There's lots of blame to go around in this outrageous piece of law-making, but I cite a few persons for special mention:

- * Gov. Ronnie Musgrove who should have vetoed the bill outright when it came to him instead of weaseling and letting it to become law without his signature.

- * Lt. Gov. Amy Tuck, who belatedly admitted she didn't know the little retirement jewel had been inserted into the conference version of a bill that came back from a joint committee and was quickly passed. (Ironically, the conference report was passed on the very day several black senators had won a Hinds County Chancery Court order against her on the very point, contending she had denied them their constitutional right to have conference reports read in full on final approval.)

- * State Sen. Bill Minor, (D-Holly Springs), (no relation to this writer) who as chairman of the Senate Finance Committee had a lot to do with sweetening the lawmaker retirement, but worse, only mumbled a few words before the bill was brought up for passage, not telling the real story of what it contained.

- * Rep. Johnny Stringer (D-Montrose), who handled the bill on the House floor and also left that body in the dark about the legislative goodie in the bill.

Having said that, let us review the history of what is called in the law the "Supplemental Legislative Retirement Plan (SLRP)." I prefer to call it "SLURP," first concocted by lawmakers back in 1985, and after once being vetoed, being put on the law books in 1989.

It was an outrage back then, and I so wrote, for legislators (and the lieutenant governor as well) to establish for them-

selves a state retirement program within the Public Employees Retirement System that had far better pension benefits than full-time state workers could get.

The key word here is PART-TIME, which state legislators are. They are NOT full-time employees, although a lot of them would like you to think they are because of constituent demands when their three-month (four months every four years) stay in Jackson ends.

They tend to forget, however, they also get \$1500 a month between-sessions expenses for constituent services and don't have to itemize any of it.

How the sweetening of SLURP took place was a classic bit of legislative chicanery, inserted by conferees into a bill whose main purpose when earlier passed by both branches was something quite different.

In this case, the original bill's basic purpose was to amend the PERS law and let employees with 28 years service take a reduced lump sum buy-out from the system.

Since the bill brought forward the whole state retirement system law, including SLURP, it gave some crafty conferees the opportunity to change just a couple of numbers in the law that make a helluva difference in retirement benefits that lawmakers get.

First, they upped from 3 to 6 percent the percentage of their salary they contribute to the retirement system. Fine, up to now.

But then comes the big bonus: The matching amount put up by the state to each lawmaker's retirement was upped from 6 1/3 per cent to 17.09 per cent.

In other words, MORE THAN DOUBLED.

From the start of SLURP in the 80s, there were all sorts of little goodies in it, among them the vesting of any legislator in the retirement plan after serving only four years, a much shorter time than ordinary state employees. (State employees were eventually vested after four years, but only if they're at least 60 years old.)

Back in the early 90s, SLURP had been sweetened for ex-legislators, allowing them to buy into the system using previous time as a public employee.

Indicative that few, very few, legislators knew the retirement jewel was hidden in the conference report on HB 1281, every member of the House, except three absentees, was recorded

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Military Mention

Kiln sailor provides support in Hawaii

By Kelvin F. Cook

The noted American revolutionary leader Thomas Paine said, "Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must undergo the fatigue of supporting it." Kiln's Ryan J. Newby ensures the continued blessings of freedom by supporting the United States Marine Corps on the Hawaiian Islands.

The president routinely sends the U.S. Marine Corps to potential trouble spots around the world. When this requires operations in the Pacific theater, the Marines often stop in the Hawaiian Islands for support. Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Newby plays a key role in supporting these forward presence missions.

Newby, who is the 24-year-old son of Catherine Smith of Kiln, is a parachute rigger assigned to the Marine Aviation Logistics Support Element Kaneohe (MALSEK).

"My job is to pack survival items for pilots and aircrew," said Newby, a 1994 graduate of O. Perry Walker Senior High School.

MALSEK is a logistics squadron that supports operational and training aviation squadrons that are deployed to the Western Pacific Ocean. MALSEK provides personnel

and logistical support to participants in multi-national exercises such as "Tandem Thrust" which is held in Australia.

The 300 Navy and Marine Corps personnel of MALSEK allow operational and training squadrons to achieve their goals and missions independently of everybody but their fellow Marines.

Providing support to forward deployed Marines is demanding work that can be stressful, however, in Newby's opinion there are rewards to be gained by working with the Marines.

"The most rewarding aspect of being a team member in my command is the satisfaction of knowing if a pilot or aircrew had to ditch their aircraft they will be able to survive," Newby said.

The Marines of the modern Marine Corps use technically complicated equipment that has to be operated and serviced in the field. The squadrons that MALSEK supports fly various types of helicopters that include the Sea Knight and Sea Horse.

The three-year Navy veteran has learned his job and other skills that can help him in life.

"Since joining the Navy I have learned that teamwork and friendship go a long way," Newby said.

LCPL GIOVENGO JR.

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. William P. Giovengo Jr., son of Theresa G. Rausch of Bay St. Louis, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), home based at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

While deployed aboard the ships of the USS Bataan Amphibious Ready Group, Giovengo's unit served as part of the Strategic Reserve Force for the Balkans and participated in multinational exercises including Bright Star, Noble Shirley and Infinite Moonlight.

Giovengo joined the Marine Corps in October 1997.

Summer Youth Enrichment Program

Gulfside Assembly, 950 South Beach Boulevard in Waveland, will begin its Summer Youth Enrichment program June 5-July 27 (Mon.-Thurs., 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.).

Special emphasis will be on enriching activities such as soccer, golf and chess.

The first session of chess is June 19-July 1; the second session is July 9-July 22.

The chess programs will be administered by Germany and Wendy Greer, a husband-and-wife team of Marietta, Ga. along with their daughter and two sons.

Chess helps develop critical thinking, reasoning, and problem-solving abilities; memory, concentration and visualization skills, confidence, patience and good sportsmanship.

The program will continue on alternate Saturdays during the 2000-2001 school year.

Cost of the eight-week camp is \$30 per week or \$210, a savings of \$30. Discounts for families with two or more children. For children and youths ages 6-12. Call to register at 228-467-4909 or 467-5252.

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Mark Hussey is award winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced this week that Mark Hussey of Diamondhead has been named a United States National Award Winner in Mathematics.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain.

Mark, who attends East Hancock Elementary, was nominated for this national award by Tammy Ladner, a teacher at the school and will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy.

The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Mark is the son of Max and Debbie Hussey of Diamondhead. Grandparents include Jim and Evelyn Fross of Vancleave, Miss. and Phyllis Hussey of Ocean Springs. He has also been a member of the Duke University Talent Identification Program for the past three years for math.

American Legion Post 139 presents school awards



Bill Taylor, left, presents American Legion School Award to OLA senior Roxanne McCullough.

American Legion Post 139 School Awards Chairman Bill Taylor announced that 22 school awards have been presented to area school children for the year 2000.

Post 139 has been presenting the American Legion School Award to local school children for approximately 50 years. The criteria used in choosing the award winners are courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and service. The award winners are selected by the schools.

Those receiving awards this year are Kelvin Schulz and LeAnn Graves, Bay Middle School, 6th grade; Zack Ferry and Emily Liner, Bay High 8th Grade; Thomas J. Barrett IV and Alexis Koskan, Bay High 12th grade; Emily Case, Coast Episcopal 5th grade; Ryan Stechmann and Ashley Burns, Bay Catholic 6th grade; Amanda Monti, Our Lady Academy 8th grade; Roxanne McCullough, Our Lady Academy 12th grade; David N. Bradley and Michael W. Enloe, St. Stanislaus 8th grade; Charles D. Raymond IV, St. Stanislaus 12th grade; Drew Gizeans and Teresa Smith, Charles B. Murphy 6th grade; Michael Catania and Whitney Sellier, Gulfview 6th grade; Chris White and Brooke Necaise, Hancock High 8th grade; and Daryl Acker and Kasey Ladner, Hancock High 12th grade.

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Residents complain about 'marina'

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

The wrath of three agencies might come down on a Shoreline Park resident whom neighbors accuse of operating an illegal marina.

Calvin Moyer and Jim Barker, both residents of Barracuda Street, came before the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Monday to elicit their help.

Moyer said the neighbor at the dead end of Barracuda Street had people living on two boats and was charging them rent. "This is a residential neighborhood. He's breaking every rule he can," said Moyer.

Moyer said the owner of the property built an accessory structure with shower and bathroom facilities and was supplying water and sewerage to those allegedly living on boats. He said there was also a dilapidated trailer on the lot, and the entire operation was attracting "undesirables" into the quiet neighborhood.

He said he had called the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Marine

Resources to look into the situation.

"He was allowed to build a bulkhead, but DEQ stopped him from going any further because the material he was using for the seawall contained asbestos.

Supervisors listened sympathetically, and voted to ask Willie Gavney, the county's chief zoning enforcement officer, to look into the situation. They also will send resolutions asking DEQ and DMR to check the site.

Gavney later told the Echo that the owner of the property at 4131 Barracuda, Michael Kroeten, came into the office last November and obtained a permit to build a house.

That permit has since expired, and Gavney said Kroeten was notified on May 26 he needed to come in and obtain another permit if he still intended to build.

Gavney said he personally visited the site later Monday and two temporary structures on the property are in violation of zoning laws. Under the current regulations, accessory structures are allowed in floodplain areas if you have a house,

but they must be elevated.

Gavney said he also checked out the boats, but they were not being supplied with sewerage and water. He said there are no laws regulating how many boats a property owner can have.

Supervisors handled an array of issues during their first meeting in June, and will meet again on June 19.

They voted to appoint a seven-member interim board to manage the new Livestock and Equine Facility in Kiln. The new board will serve until next January.

They include: Kenny Ray Ladner (District 1); Dr. Mike Lee (District 2); Trudy Cuevas (District 3); Don Haas Jr. (District 4); Al Shiyon (District 5); Former Chancery Court Clerk Mike Necaise, who has a horse farm outside Kiln, will serve at-large, representing the north end of the county; and Randy Ellis will represent the south end of the county.

Supervisors approved a lease-purchase agreement with Data Systems Management Inc. of Jackson for \$255,000 to install a new computer system in the county's tax assessor's

office. The office has recently been plagued with a series of computer shutdowns due to the aging equipment.

County Harbormaster Oliver Sahuque told supervisors some equipment was taken off two boats docked at the new marina off Lakeshore Road, and supervisors will ask the sheriff's department to increase patrols.

Gavney told supervisors he was growing concerned by the proliferation of used car lots cropping up on state Hwy. 603, and they are allowed "by right" under the county's Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. Supervisors asked the Planning Commission to discuss the issue at its June 15 meeting and make a recommendation to the Board.

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward gained Board approval to put the long-delayed beach bike path out to public bid, and to get quotes on repairing lights on the Dunbar Street pier.

The fixtures, which hinge on the railings alongside the pier, have again been destroyed by vandals, and District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour, "We need to come up with something



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County, Bay to pitch for Beach Road funds

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

With Hancock County and Bay St. Louis officials working in unison, the long-delayed widening of Beach Road from U.S. Hwy. 90 to the CSX railroad tracks could happen.

Buz Olsen, the Bay's Community Development Director, came before the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Monday to invite them to come with him next week to a meeting in Biloxi

where the state Department of Transportation will be meeting with coast officials before making up a priority list for future road projects.

Olsen said Biloxi and Gulfport have aggressively pursued millions in federal money available through the Transportation Improvement Program. He said he has gone to previous meetings representing Bay St. Louis, but the county was not represented.

"We're missing the boat," said

Olsen. He said, in most cases, federal funds pay up to 80 percent of a project's cost.

He told supervisors he hopes to get the Beach Road from Hwy. 90 to the railroad tracks brought up to state standards so the state will maintain it in the future.

Supervisors gave their blessings.

"We'll put it in the hopper," said Olsen.

The project, estimated to come in at around \$1 million,

would widen Beach Road from its present average width of 10 foot to 12-foot lanes, the state standard.

Plans also call for resurfacing and restriping the roadway, and installing new sidewalks, curbs and gutters. It may also be possible to add more parking spaces in the area of the Ulman Avenue pier.

Olsen said the city and the county would share the cost of engineering plans and acquiring land for easements.

Obituaries

JUANITA SIEMSEN

Juanita Siemssen, 94, of Waveland, died Friday, May 26, 2000, in Bay St. Louis.

Ms. Siemssen was a native of New Orleans and a long-time resident of Waveland. She was a Methodist.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Donacino and Ida Arney Alvarez.

Survivors include three nieces, Melba Shuffield and Mildred Seuzeneau, both of Waveland, and Marjorie J. Brand of Galhoun City, Miss.

Interment will be at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JOHN SOKOL

John Anthony "Jay" Sokol, Jr., 82, of Diamondhead, died Monday, June 5, 2000, in Gulfport.

He was a native of McKees Rocks, PA, and a resident of Diamondhead for the past 3 1/2 years. He was of the Catholic faith, and a member of Annunciation Catholic Church, Kiln.

He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Air Force. He was a member of the American Legion Post #862, Moon Run, PA, and long time member of AFL-CIO Local #727 in Hialeah, FL. He was also a member of the Diamondhead Country Club, and Property Owners Association of Diamondhead.

He was preceded in death by

his parents: John Anthony & Mary Zavarnecky Sokol, Sr., brother: Steve Sokol, and sister: Irene Sokol.

He is survived by his wife: Eleanor Donahue Sokol of Diamondhead; 2 sons: John A. Sokol, III and David Sokol, both of FL; 1 step-son: Joseph Patrick Donahue of Tuscaloosa, AL; a daughter: Joyce Sokol Utley of FL; a brother: Frank Joseph Sokol; and 4 sisters: Ann Broniszewski & Mary Vassel both of McKees Rocks, PA, Catherine Vassello & Pauline Petro both of Coropolis, PA.

A visitation will be held Friday, June 9, 2000 from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church, Kiln.

A Memorial Mass will be June 9, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church, Kiln.

A graveside service will be held at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

The family prefers donations to be made to the Annunciation Catholic Church, PO Box 97, Kiln MS 39556

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Eyes

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voting for the report. In the Senate, only 10 votes were cast against it on final passage.

As mentioned above, Lt. Gov. Tuck looks especially ridiculous by saying she didn't know it was in the conference report, proving the point made in the lawsuit of three black senators that conference reports were the same as bills and she could not deny their reading on final

passage.

After its bumbling during the first half of the 2000 session, the Legislature had begun to improve its public image. But it blew it in the windup with the retirement debacle.

Some lawmakers are already talking about repealing the new goodies when they next meet, but my guess is it will never happen.

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In the event of a runoff from the Special Election, the office of the City Clerk of Bay St. Louis will be open for Absentee Voting beginning Thursday, June 15 through Friday, June 16, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The office will also be open Saturday, June 17, from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

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Girl Scouts earn "Super Troop" award



Girl Scouts in Brownie Troop 340 of Diamondhead earned the Super Troop Award. This program is available to all troops, but 20 activities must be completed in order to earn the award.

Some of the activities include that the troop must reregister 60 percent of its Scouts and recruit new members.

The Scouts must participate in two types of ceremonies, one type of camping experience, one field trip activity and one multi-troop event.

The Scouts must participate in Girl Scout cookie sales. They need to contribute to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund.

They should involve parents in troop activities.

The Scouts must also complete two community service projects. One of the projects that the second grade Scouts decided upon was to aid the church where they meet by volunteering to water-seal the picnic tables and playground equipment.

Pictured with the project are members of Girl Scout Troop 340: Chelsea Levy, Paige Muse, Jamie Jelinski, Lauren Stealey, Elizabeth Boozer, Laurel Bruce, Lauren Perniciaro, Nikki Wild, Jennifer Odom, Lauren Necaise, Lauren Quakenbush, Erica Palmer, Jessica Trudo, Callie McCleskey and Natalie Thrash.

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Louis L. Decell

Announces for Bay Council

Louis L. Decell has announced his candidacy for Councilman Ward 1, Bay St. Louis, in the special election to be held on Tuesday, June 13.

Decell has been a resident of Bay St. Louis for 40 years and is a retired coffee manufacturer. He and his wife also operated Dan B's for 21 years and are the present owners.

He is married to Helen Decell and is a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

Decell seeks the office held by Carleen Moran, who resigned to take the job of Hancock County Chamber of Commerce executive director.

Decell said, "I feel that being a successful businessman can be of help in the operations of the city. As a retiree, I have the time to help address the many issues facing our fast growing Bay St. Louis."

Community Organization sets food fair

The Waveland Community Organization will have a Food Fair on Saturday and Sunday, June 16-17, at the Martin Luther King Park, Herlihy Street, Waveland.

The Food Fair will begin at noon each day, Clarence Harris, vice-president, reports.

Booth spaces are at \$30 for both days.

For information, contact Harris at 467-7043 or Laverne Quinn, 466-3898.

Proceeds from the Food Fair will be used to renovate the Community Center on Herlihy Street said Harris.

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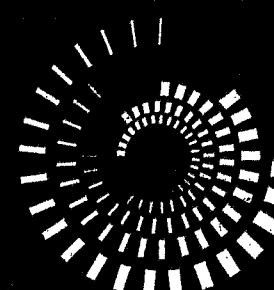
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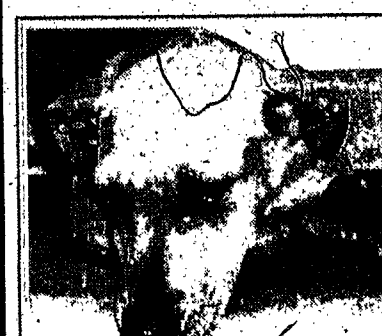
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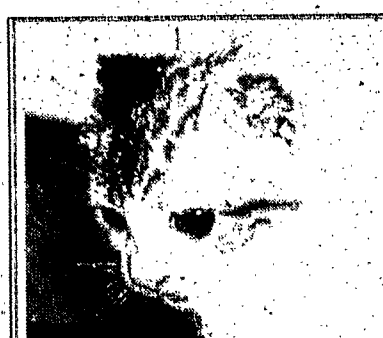
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Dogs -- ban on pit bulls?

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advertising for a public forum for citizen input on the vicious dog ordinance and other ordinances discussed at Monday night's workshop. The special forums will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at 6 p.m. and Tuesday, June 20, at 6 p.m. Aldermen hope to vote on the ordinances at the June 21 meeting.

Dave Schneider said that he had always owned pitbulls and did feel that it was fair to stereotype a certain breed. A

number of people agreed, including Jeri Richardson. Richardson, like a lot of the people present said they felt like banning one breed would not solve the problem because there would still be the problem of other breeds of vicious and dangerous dogs. What everyone did agree on was a need for a law which would give police the "teeth" to protect people from all vicious dogs.

Richardson was also concerned with the proposed ordi-

nance that would ban the giving away or selling of animals outside stores or public places.

"I know this is not the best way to go ... but if people can't do this ... they will just dump the animals to a worse fate," said Richardson. "My brother works at Buccaneer Park and finds kittens dumped out that are tied up in garbage bags."

In other business:

Aldermen approved a motion to authorize the procurement of

a feasibility study and cost estimate for the Marina Project, all items regarding the marina to be held pending receipt of the results. The study will be done by an independent engineer who will study plans extensively to let the city know if the project can support itself. Cost of the construction, materials, market for the product, what similar businesses are charging, and even such things as the cost of a Harbor Master's salary.

Intersection -- dangerous

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Medical Center, and state Rep. J.P. Compretta and Hancock's District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward have asked for a new traffic count to see if a light is justified.

"You've got people coming at you from several directions," said Compretta. Traffic east-bound on Hwy. 90 turns left to cross two oncoming lanes of traffic going westbound.

"Then, some people are coming out of the parking lot

behind Wendy's and turning left onto a one-way street into incoming traffic headed south," said Compretta. Drinkwater is a four-lane divided street with the entrance to the hospital headed north and exits either going south to Hwy. 90 or looping around to Green Meadow Road in back of the hospital complex.

Compretta told the Echo this week the Mississippi Department of Transportation

is working with him, Hancock County and the city of Bay St. Louis to come up with engineering plans to realign the intersection.

According to Ricky Lee, MDOT's Sixth District engineer, "State and federal funding is being provided through the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century."

"In addition to the realignment, MDOT is conducting a study to determine if a traffic

signal is warranted at this location," Lee said. "We are currently awaiting the results of this new traffic count."

According to Lee, MDOT has studied this particular intersection over the past seven years, and the last traffic count made in 1995, indicated that a signal was not warranted at that time.

"As a resident of this area, this particular situation is of paramount importance to me," said Compretta.

Hancock board shoots down gun club proposal

Will consider study on re-drawing education districts

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

The Hancock County School Board on Tuesday shot down a controversial proposal to establish a Clay Shooting Club at the district's Vo-Tech Center, tabling the measure until more information is available.

The board had previously tabled the proposal in May to allow board attorney Teri Wyly an opportunity to examine it.

Reggie Ladner, who works for the district at the Vo-Tech Center and is one of the proposed shooting club's proponents, assured board members that guns would never be brought to the school grounds and would only be transported to the shooting range by the parents of participating students; and that all members of the club would be required to complete hunter safety education courses. Currently, Ladner said, a similar club is active at Poplarville High School, but is not officially affiliated with that school district, only with the school principal.

"I just see some real significant potential exposure for the school district ...," Wyly told board members. "I know you're proposing a \$250,000 insurance policy, but that wouldn't be

enough coverage if there were an injury or death."

Wyly also said that under the current proposal, it's unclear whether participating students would be held to the stringent district drug and alcohol policies and testing.

"Personally and professionally," she said, "I'm a little scared of this."

"To some degree, I think (supporting such a club) is double-talk when it comes to our kids," board President Cheryl Bennett said. "Teaching kids about gun safety is certainly good, but I'm not sure to what degree the school system should be involved in this."

The board voted to table the matter and discuss it again later after some revisions and fine-tuning are complete.

In other action Tuesday, board members asked Superintendent of Education Mike Ladner to coordinate with Assistant Superintendent Eddie Danzey to supply results by a June 20 workshop meeting.

Danzey has been researching the possibility of redrawing school district boundaries in response to changing populations as some communities in the county grow and others dwindle.

Board member Larry Peterson expressed concern that redrawing the boundaries or potentially shifting students from one school to another could be unfair.

Fireworks

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the whole situation could get out of hand, sparking fires in the two cities and in the drier rural areas of the county.

"We're going to have another New Mexico on our hands," he warned.

Supervisors wanted to know if Pate had also approached the two cities, and he said he had not, but intended to do so. He said he heard Harrison County was also seriously considering

a fireworks ban.

The Board does not meet again until June 19th, but supervisors told Pate to monitor the situation closely.

And, County Administrator Tim Keller said if the area gets no more rain and the drought intensifies, he can declare "a state of emergency," and poll supervisors to see if they want to issue a ban before they meet again.

Four vie for Bay Council seat

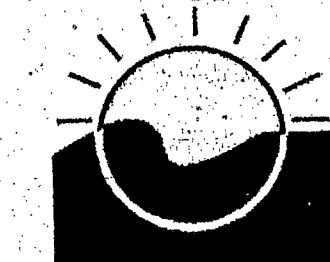
ECHO STAFF REPORT

Four Bay St. Louis residents met the Saturday deadline to qualify for the Tuesday, June 13 special election to fill the Ward 1 seat on the Bay City Council. Carleen Moran created the vacancy last month when she

resigned to take the position of executive director of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

Those qualifying for the race include Joseph P. "Jody" Compretta, Louie Decell, Peggy Rutherford and Doug Seal.

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The Food Fair will begin at noon each day, Clarence Harris, vice-president, reports.

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Rebel -- man on a mission

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Apparently, Busby isn't alone in his cause. As he knelt by the roadside yesterday, a truckload of well-wishers pulled up and got out to shake his hand, congratulating him for the "good job" he was doing. "It takes more than just me," he told them. "It takes people like all of us here to defend our freedom as Americans."

As his fans drove away, Busby said "I've run into a whole bunch of real nice people

like that. They've stopped to bring me food, water, anything I've needed. ... I spent the night at somebody's house last night, had a nice bed, nice air conditioning and a good supper, and he said 'When you get tired, give me a call and I'll pick you up.'"

Although the battle flag is for many a symbol of racism, Busby said he is anything but racist: "(The flag) is just a symbol. It hasn't hurt anybody,

Some people don't like it. That's their right. I don't like rap music, either, but I don't tell anybody they can't listen to it - but I do change the channel. That's why we are the proudest country in the world. We are free to do what we want as long as we don't infringe on anybody else's rights."

In fact, Busby said, he was inspired to embark on his journey by an African-American.

"I was sitting and I read in

the paper where this guy in northern Mississippi -- I'm gonna call him a black soldier - he got out his Confederate uniform and his flag and he marched up and down his town and he complained his heritage was being taken away."

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Flag -- the battle continues

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plaintiffs in the suit," told AP reporters. "(The flag) is very offensive. It conjures up all the emotions that the swastika conjures up for Jewish people."

The state Supreme Court also determined that Mississippi's state banner was never officially adopted, prompting Gov. Ronnie Musgrove earlier this year to empanel a 17-member committee to study the potential for designing and adopting a new flag, sans stars and bars.

Also earlier this year, pro-

and anti-Confederate battle flag proponents clashed over the Seven Flags Memorial at Biloxi which, until the controversy, included the battle banner.

Hancock County, thus far, has avoided much of the controversy, but will the silence continue as a final decision on the flag's fate draws near?

"The flag itself is just a flag," according to Rev. Francis Theriault, a Catholic priest, longtime civil rights proponent and current vice-president of

the Hancock County chapter of the NAACP. "What I'm opposed to ... is that the Ku Klux Klan and these other extremist groups have adopted it as their symbol. They've made it a symbol of hate and division of our country."

"I think sometimes all this fussing about it just makes (the extremists) worse. ... I think our best way to fight it is to ignore it and try to go at it legally when and where we can."

"We realize the flag is part of

our history," Dianne Morris, a member of the executive committee of the Hancock County NAACP said yesterday. "However, what it represents is not what America stands for today. It does not promote unity for all people."

"We believe in and honor the U.S. flag, which does promote unity, equality and fairness for all people. That is also my husband's (Dr. Rev. Lee-Morris Sr., president of the Hancock County NAACP) position."

Supervisors vote to deny 2 county RV campgrounds

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Hancock County supervisors have sided with the county Planning Commission and rejected plans by two developers proposing RV campgrounds on Lakeshore Road and the Kiln-Waveland Cutoff Road.

Supervisors held back-to-back public hearings that lasted about four hours Tuesday to hear appeals from the developers.

The first up was an appeal by Bobby Glover to put up to 20 RV's on a parcel of land he owns on the southwest corner of the intersection of Volga Street and the Kiln-Waveland Cutoff Road.

Glover had sought a "conditional use" before the Planning Commission on May 18, and area neighbors came to complain about the increased traffic, the types of persons the campground might attract, stormwater runoff from the RV pads and other problems. The Planning Commission turned down the request by a 4-0 vote, saying it felt the project was not in harmony with the mostly residential neighborhood.

Those same neighbors appeared at the Tuesday hearings, and lodged the same concerns during testimony that lasted more than an hour.

Supervisor recessed behind closed doors before coming out 20 minutes later to announce they had made a decision.

Board President Rocky Pullman and District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour said their main concern involved safety. There is a sharp curve in that section of the Kiln-Waveland Cutoff Road near where the campsite was proposed. The supervisors said RV's pulling vehicles behind them would create a safety hazard turning into the area.

Glover said he has substantially improved his road and property over the years, and he promised to put up a privacy

fence to buffer neighbors from the campgrounds. He said he was living on a small retirement, and needed the extra income the campgrounds would bring him. "Give me justice," Glover pleaded.

The Glover property was in Supervisor Seymour's District, but District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner made the motion to uphold the Planning Commission's denial. District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward made the second.

"Unfortunately, we sometimes have to make difficult decisions," said Pullman. "Someone's going to be happy and someone's going to be unhappy."

Seymour told Glover the county has been trying to get the Kiln-Waveland Cutoff Road on the state-aid list in order to make improvements to the busy roadway, and when the curve is straightened out, he could try again to propose his development. The property is zoned C-Commercial on both sides of the roadway, and the zoning goes 200 yards back from the roadway.

Pullman and Seymour supported the motion to deny, and District 5 Supervisor Jay Cuevas voted against.

Under current rules, Glover has 10 days to file a Bill of Exception with the Circuit Court, asking a judge to review the case and overturn the decision of supervisors and the Planning Commission.

The proposal by Michele and Wayne Richards was more elaborate than Glovers, but supervisors unanimously upheld the Planning Commission's denial to construct a "resort-type" RV park and campgrounds off Lakeshore Road near Fuch's Nursery and the Clermont Heights residential area.

The Richards wanted a "conditional use" to build pads to accommodate 107 RV's on 10 acres of a 20.6-acre tract. The

owners said they planned a resort-type development with "rustic cabins" fronting the water. The area is currently zoned "a-1 Agriculture."

At the May public hearing before the Planning Commission, eight nearby neighbors came to object, citing the same concerns about safety, increased traffic, the types of people who would come into the area and problems with stormwater runoff. Twenty-five nearby residents had also signed a petition objecting to the development.

The same testimony was aired before supervisors, and they recessed awhile, then came back and voted to support the Planning Commission's denial.

The Richards can also appeal to Circuit Court.

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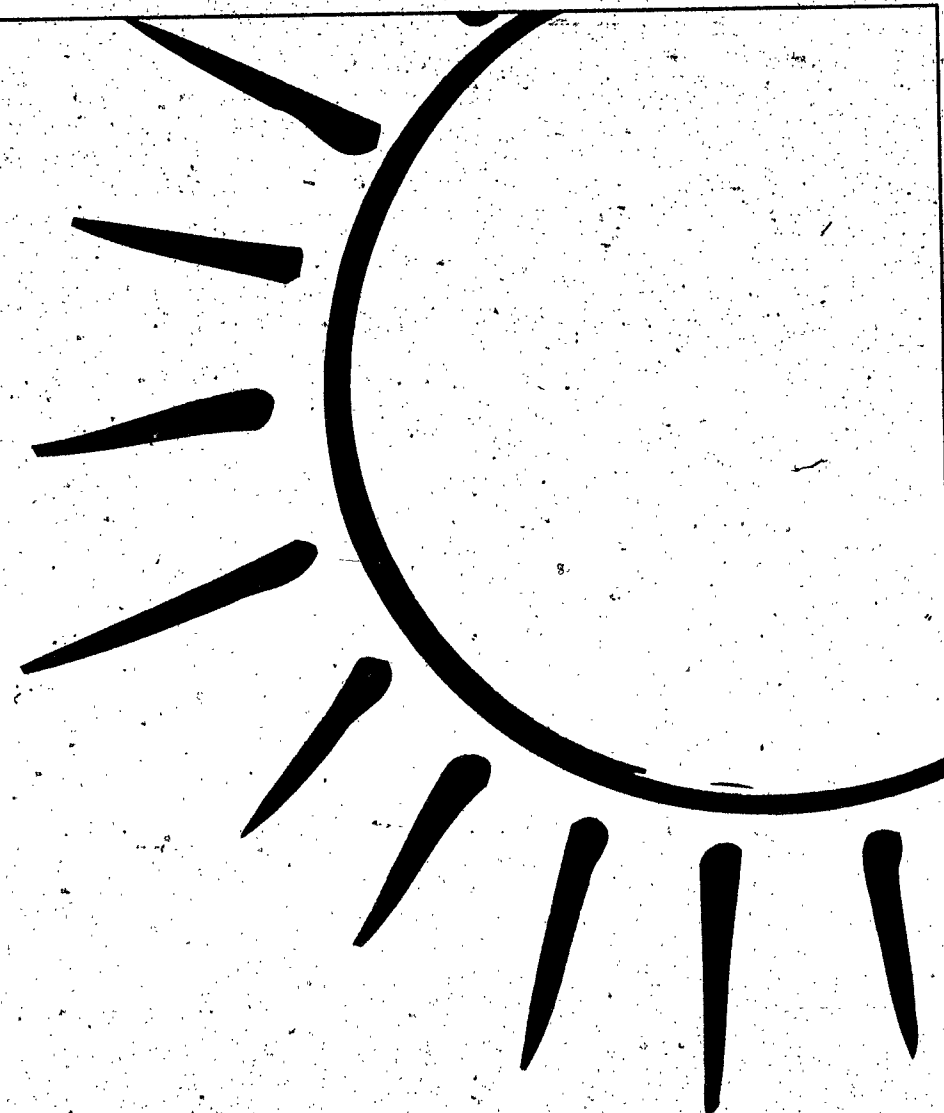
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Summer Book Club for Kids to begin at Waveland Library

Registration is now open for a Summer Book Club for Kids that will begin in July at the Waveland Library and Literacy Center. Sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, the club is open to children eight through 12 years old.

Purpose of the club is to promote reading in children. Statistics show that people in book clubs generally read more, with greater ease and fluency, and over a wider range of materials. The participation of the children in the discussion and other activities will lead them to make the transition from thinking of themselves as students who are learning to read to viewing themselves as readers. The program will also involve parents, who will be asked to assure the children do the required home reading.

Beginning Tuesday, July 12, the 8-9-year-olds will meet from 10 to 11 a.m. each week for six

weeks. This group will be reading *Journey to the Center of the Earth* by Jules Verne and *The Adventures of Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe.

The 10-12-year-old group will begin meeting on Wednesday, July 13, 10-11 a.m. This group will be reading *The Time Machine* by H. G. Wells and *Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson. The groups will use playacting, puppetry and art to further enhance the stories. Serious readers and their parents should visit the Waveland Library and Literacy Center to sign up as soon as possible. Upon registration, children will receive their own two books to keep and begin reading before the Book Club begins. Further information on the Summer Book Club for Kids is available by calling Sandy Brinkman or Donna Hutchings at the Waveland Library and Literacy Center at 467-9240.

BUSINESS NEWS

Chamber to host second 'Smart Growth' seminar

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce kicks off its second in a series of Smart Growth seminars Tuesday, June 13, 8:30 a.m. at the Bay St. Louis Depot.

Compton Engineering will present a workshop on storm water laws and regulations, as well as design ideas that are not only practical, but also attractive and cost-effective.

Carleen Moran, executive director of the Hancock County Chamber, believes it's important for businesses in Hancock County to understand development regulations.

"And if these regulations can be achieved in a way that makes that business more attractive, more effective in retaining and treating storm water, and it's cost-effective, so much the better."

Jeffrey Clemons, project engineer with Compton Engineering

will present information on existing regulations, changes in the regulations that will take effect in the next year, as well as designs Compton has used for coastal businesses.

"Our goal is to provide information to businesses in Hancock County so that they know what their options are when building new or redeveloping. Our Chamber members have the expertise and knowledge to help us make development decisions that make Hancock County a more attractive and safer place to live. We are providing a forum for them to educate all of us," said Moran.

To reserve a seat, contact the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce by phone 467-9048, fax 467-1573 or by e-mail hccoc@goldinc.com.



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Banner exchange

Sea Coast Echo general manager and past Rotary president Randy Ponder, left, presents a Bay St. Louis Rotary Club banner to Larry Jacka, District Governor of Rotary District 9680, Sydney, Australia. Jacka and wife Miriam took a detour on their trip to the Rotary International Convention in Buenos Aires, Argentina to visit long time friends Danny and Shella Carter in Waveland. Jacka and Danny met in Sydney in 1966 when Carter was in the Navy. Jacka's Rotary District covers most of Sydney and has 67 clubs with about 2500 members.

'Clean & Beautiful' award winners named for May

The following businesses received the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Beautification Committee's "Clean and Beautiful" award for May:

- C-21 McIntyre/Rapp, Waveland
- Breath's Boats and Motors, Bay St. Louis
- Hancock County Welcome Center, Hancock County
- Victory Baptist Church, Hancock County

The awards are given monthly by the committee to recognize businesses or organizations who enhance the community by

keeping their business or organization clean and beautiful. Their efforts create community pride and are pleasing for both residents and visitors.

The goal of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce is to promote the social, civic and economic well-being of the community. Through various committees there are a number of programs and projects, both new and ongoing, to focus on this goal.

The Beautification Committee's awards are just one way to enhance Hancock County.

PRAM group to meet

The Mississippi Beach Chapter of the Public Relations Association of Mississippi will hold its monthly meeting Monday, June 12 at noon at the Gulfport Beach Holiday Inn.

This month's speaker will be Reid Hopper, executive director of the Coast Transit Authority. Hopper will be discussing the proposed Mississippi Gulf Coast Multi-Modal Transportation Project.

The Public Relation

Association of Mississippi (PRAM) is a statewide professional organization consisting of business people in the fields of public relations, marketing, community relations and sales.

PRAM-Mississippi Beach is a local chapter for Harrison and Hancock counties and meets on the second Monday of each month.

For information on joining, contact Debbie Repo at 228-868-9522.

BellSouth prepares for hurricane season

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Preparation this year has been in earnest since such a high number of hurricanes have been predicted in the South Atlantic for the 2000 storm season.

Stewart said that hundreds of portable generators are in warehouses throughout the Southeast on standby ready to be loaded onto tractor trailers and transported to an area hit by a storm.

"The number one way our customers lose telephone service after a storm is when commercial power to area distribution facilities is interrupted. We have battery back-up systems that can last up to 24 hours at each site," said Stewart.

"Our first priority after a hurricane passes is to hook up generators to the distribution facilities that don't have power. It's the most efficient way of

preventing the loss of service to the majority of our customers."

If needed, additional BellSouth technicians can also be reassigned to areas that need extensive restoration work.

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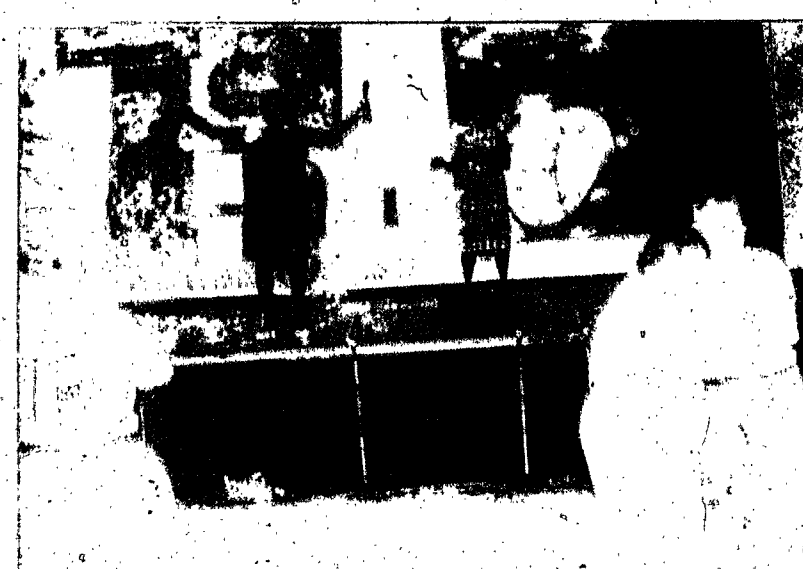
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FOR THE HANDICAPPED

BY BENNIE WEDGWOOD
Staff Writer

"We can soar above the clouds where the sun will always shine, we'll look toward tomorrow, leave yesterday behind, our hearts will lift us high enough to conquer anything, nothing can stop us, cause love will give us wings."

Love Will Give Us Wings, composed by Ms. Ann McNair was the official theme song for the Mississippi Arts Fair For The Handicapped and it's words truly express the atmosphere of celebration of life that permeated the Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum this Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

An annual event of the performing arts, the fair demands creativity, organization and a great deal of team work. A large network of Facility Coordinators, who assume the additional duties relating to the event from January to June work closely with the Site Committee to create a well run and memorable event.

Each performance represents countless hours of preparation by performers, staff and volun-



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teers in various facilities. But the end result is more than a sum of all the effort, it a triumph of the human spirit, which, during these three magical days, seems to soar to its highest and make anything seem possible.

The wonderfully unique performances are all the more enjoyable by the fact that the people on stage seem so comfortable in their roles. There is an air of abandon, rarely found in any setting these days. The performers are performing as much for themselves as for the audience, and the audience, in return, is performing for them.

Audience members chat and socialize and snack and watch. In a room filled with hundreds of people, the atmosphere is that of an intimate social gathering. Spontaneously, individuals jump up and begin to dance, where they are, or making their way to the area in front of the stage. Some dance alone, some find partners, and everywhere, there is an air of freedom to express yourself. A couple dances by holding one another, laughing. They have met at the fair and like anywhere else in life, love blooms.

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COMMUNITY

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By Ellis Anderson
 "The Wild Women" series began with the idea of a group of women who were going to be here for Mardi Gras. I was thinking about what one can't think of the others will do. The popular Bay Saint Louis artist knows what she's talking about. She has a character member of the Wild Women Club for many years. The high-spirited group of five friends, ranging in age from the early sixties to the late seventies, meet at least once a year on the Gulf Coast.

"We're women from completely different backgrounds and we live far apart, but we have a real sisterhood. Although we weren't childhood friends, we like to joke that we grew up together when we were older."

Wild Women antics have become a favorite subject matter for Boussom, who is best known for her whimsical sculptures and paintings of cats.

Images of cats are everywhere in the artist's house. Some peer from huge brilliant canvases while others, sculpted in psychedelic colors, lounge comfortably on tabletops.

On close examination, the sculptures and many of the paintings reveal themselves to be collages actually woven from paper, a technique that Boussom has taken from experimentation to award-winning innovation. She begins by painting watercolor paper using acrylics, then she cuts, weaves, and meticulously pieces together small bits for an intricate mosaic effect.

Felines may not be the current focus for the artist, but they still make cameo appearances in many of her newest works. The piece "Wild Women Loose in the French Quarter" depicts four silver-headed friends playfully posing on the edge of a French Market fountain, arms and legs akimbo.

They look breathless and excited, as if they've just finished a spirited second-line with the jazz musicians who are playing in the background. To one side of the friends, a cat statue tirelessly watches the water for non-existent gold fish.

The whole Wild Woman series began with the piece I call "Rusty Magnolias," Boussom says. "And that began with a flood here at my house. I'd recently moved to the Coast after 34 years in Huntsville, Alabama and invited the Wild Women here for my birthday party."

"The day after the party, the rain started coming down. The water came up within inches of the door because of a neighbor's clogged drainage ditch.

My husband and I were gone for the week, it was raining and the Wild Women were against the elements. They borrowed shovels and went out and dug in the pouring rain for 2 1/2 hours - even Helen who had to take out her hearing aid so the rain wouldn't short it out! We cussed and laughed and dug and cried and somehow got the water diverted and saved the house from flooding."

al artistic license.

This particular piece will be featured this spring in the show, "A t with a Southern Drawl," at the University of Mobile. Boussom has been accepted for the past 10 years in this prestigious juried show and on four occasions has won the Southern Humor award.

A veteran of art shows around the country,

of Alabama in Huntsville, which has a fabulous art department. I was 31 years old.

"At first I thought I'd major in something practical like commercial art, but as soon as I walked into the painting studio, I knew that's where I belonged. My professor told me that mothers should be at home with their children. I thought, 'Why, he thinks I should be barefoot, pregnant and in the kitchen! Well, phooey on him.' I knew that I might be barefoot, but I wasn't going to stay in the kitchen anymore."

She laughs at this remark, because her current studio is directly adjacent to a kitchen that is as colorful as one of her paintings. The room is full of light and color with glass doors opening into a fern-filled patio. On the easel is her current work in progress - a painting of the same lush patio.

Wild Woman Doris is sallying forth to meet the morning in style, wearing a long, dark negligee, a white robe and elaborate running shoes.

"I haven't named this one yet. Don't you love her shoes? My other newest work is entitled, 'Wild Women Toast the Coast.' We're all on the beach at Henderson Point. I painted myself lounging with a sandwich in one hand and a wine glass in the other."

"The response has been incredible - over and over again women say, 'That could be ME! That's because I didn't try to make us look like models. I depicted us as we are.'"

"We're not bathing beauties; we're real women with warts and wrinkles and we're proud of it. Society tells us that we shouldn't have any cellulite or lumps or bumps or gray hair - that we should have perfect bodies and if we don't, we should hide ourselves."

"But women miss out if they try to conform and worry about what other people will think of them. Most of us don't look like models and never will. Wild Women say, this is what I've been given and I'm going to enjoy it!" She reaches down to scratch the head of Buck, her real live cat companion, who's suddenly feeling affectionate.

"I feel so fortunate that I'm happy and alive and healthy. I'm so lucky to be doing what I want to do and lucky to have a husband and friends I can be real with. When Wild Women are together, there's no pretense. We're totally honest. And that's what we love - to be free!"

Connie Boussom's work is exhibited at Serenity Gallery in Bay Saint Louis, Blue Skies Gallery in Pass Christian, Artistic Images Gallery in Huntsville, Alabama and the Funky Chicken Art Project in North Georgia.



Wild Women Loose in the French Quarter

The 'Rusty Magnolias' piece depicts three drenched women, standing ankle-deep in a colorful flood of water. All are clearly exhausted but they hold their shovels high in victory.

Hair-dos have collapsed and make-up is gone, but the three women - still adorned with costume jewelry - convey a message of beauty and hope. In the collage, the artist's cat, Puddy, stands in the water close to her ankles. Boussom laughs when questioned, explaining that the cat's presence in the painting is just the product of a liber

she has won numerous awards for her work in the thirty-odd years she's been painting. When asked about the beginnings of her artistic career, she points to a parrot sculpture hanging close to an enameled painting of a similar parrot her father painted in 1940. "My father was a wonderful artist who used to give me crayons and paper in church to keep me quiet. It didn't make me quiet, but I never stopped drawing."

"When my youngest daughter started school, I went back to school at the University

Reunion fever . . .

Remember food safety at outdoor gatherings

By Chantel Lott
 MSU Ag Communications

Summertime is a traditional season for outdoor celebrations and reunions, but those enjoyable occasions can turn sour if foodborne illness shows up as the ultimate unwanted guest.

About 7 million Americans suffer from food poisoning each year, but 85 percent of those cases could be avoided with proper handling of food.

Dr. Melissa Mixon, a human nutrition specialist with Mississippi State University's Extension Service, said some of the more at-risk foods when not handled properly are meats, fish, poultry, milk, milk products and eggs. This also includes any food that contains any of these items.

"Sometimes people think that just because food has been cooked, that it cannot spoil, when actually bacteria can grow in foods both before and after the cooking process," Mixon said.

For example, during the extreme heat of the summer, Southern fried chicken, a staple on Mississippi picnic tables, should not be left out for more than one hour.

"Foodborne illness is always a possibility when the food's temperature is between 40 and 140 degrees for more than two hours. This is the danger zone," Mixon said.

When preparing food in large quantities, cooling can become a problem. A large container placed in a refrigerator does not ensure protection from bacterial growth. The center of the container may take as long as

two days to reach a safe temperature, allowing the bacteria hours to grow.

"Placing hot foods in shallow containers to speed the cooling process is a great idea when preparing foods in advance for a crowd," Mixon

said.

Another way foodborne illness can occur is by the improper handling of cooking utensils. An example is cutting up raw meat with a knife and then using the same knife to cut lettuce or fresh vegetables without thoroughly washing the knife. Any



bacteria from the meat is transferred to the vegetables by the knife.

"When the same unwashed plate is used to carry meat back and forth to the grill, the bacteria is transferred to the cooked meat as it is placed on that plate and brought to the table," Mixon said. Other tools of contamination can be the counter top, the cutting board, the sink, a plate or kitchen towels.

To avoid cross-contamination, always clean kitchen utensils and hands with hot, soapy water. Two teaspoons of unscented bleach in a gallon of water adds extra assurance of sterilization to utensils.

"Scrub hands together for 20 seconds, instead of just swiping under running water," Mixon said. "It is very important to cleanse in between fingers and under nails."

Cooking foods to the proper temperature is another way to ensure safety.

"We can no longer judge meat to be cooked properly by color, as we once did," Mixon said. "Beef cooked to a grayish shade

does not mean that the middle has reached 160 degrees, which is the recommended temperature for ground meat. Even poultry must reach 180 degrees to be thoroughly cooked. The investment in a small meat thermometer is a wise one."

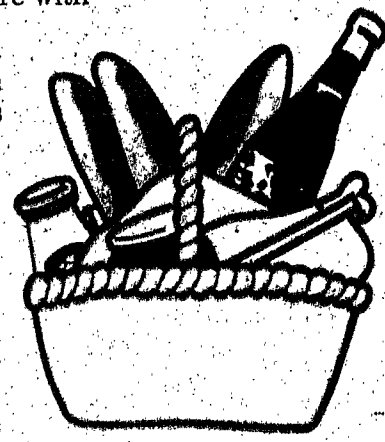
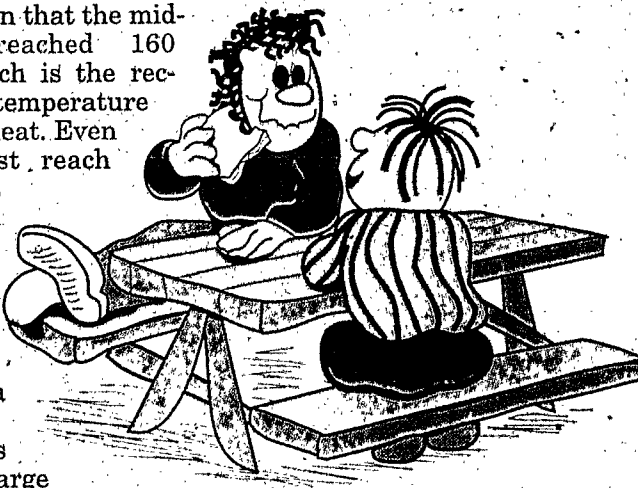
Coolers also play a large role in combating foodborne illness.

Juices from the uncooked meats stored in a cooler should not touch other foods. Do not open coolers unless necessary. The temperature is more likely to change the more it is opened. Keep all cold foods below 40 degrees.

As time passes replenish the melted ice in the cooler. All hot foods placed inside a cooler shortly after preparation should maintain appropriate temperatures for about 30 minutes. Always monitor the temperature with a thermometer.

"Some forms of foodborne illness take four hours to 50 days to surface," Mixon said. "It is not a pleasant experience, and with just a few simple precautions, can be avoided."

For more information contact your local extension office and ask for publication number 1787, titled "A Quick Consumer Guide to Safe Food Handling," or call the USDA's Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-800-535-4555.



SPORTS

Daspit claims Street Stock feature, Broadus takes Pro Stock



By Melvin Breland

Heat winners Michael Williams and Noah Daspit shared the front row for the start of the 21-car Street Stock feature.

Daspit moved to the front on the green flag lap and endured a number of cautions before going on a green-to-checkers run for the win.

Williams dropped into the third spot after allowing Rodney Barber to move past. Barber applied the pressure to Daspit, but could not find an opening to make a pass.

Wallace Allen worked his way into the fourth spot, but could advance no further before the checkers flew. Lonnie Scarbrough rounded out the top five.

In the Pro Stock feature it was heat winners Walter Gibbs and Jeremy Broadus starting from the front row. Broadus moved to the front coming out of

turn two and lead every lap on his way to the checkers.

Gibbs allowed several cars to move past before he could make a stand in the fifth position. Mike Palou and Broadus went nose to tail for most of the race, but Palou was unable to make a pass for the lead.

Rodney Bruce managed to slip past Donald Parker for the third spot and one of his better efforts this season. Parker finished in the fourth spot ahead of Gibbs.

Bill Stewart and James Dear won heats in the Pure Street class giving them front row starting spots for the feature. Stewart was his usual self as he ran away from the field to claim the feature win and remain unbeaten for the season.

Dean held off Roger Ladner and Robert Echols to finish in the second spot, while Kevin Lizana rounded out the top five for his best rookie finish.

The Dixie Sportsman division featured heat winners Bryan Foy and Chris Wall on the front row as the green flag dropped. Foy moved to the front and claimed an easy win going green to checkers in the feature. Wall picked up a comfortable second over third place finisher Donald Collins.

Greg Cooper and Randy Deschamp finished in the fourth and fifth positions.

Ricky Hankins started on the pole after picking up the heat win over Wayne Martin. Hankins had little trouble moving to a comfortable flag-to-flag win as he has done on numerous occasions.

Keith Miller, who has claimed several wins this season, had a rough night. Miller broke in the heat race and had to start from the rear in the feature, but was impressive in working his way into the second spot.

Hankins held to much of a lead to allow Miller to challenge for the top spot. Martin finished third over K. I. Davis and Campy Holley.

Ricky Bauregard and Terry Coddington won earlier Mini-Sprint heats giving them the front row for the start of the 19-car feature.

Bauregard moved to the lead on the green flag lap and appeared to be headed for the win as he lead most of the race, but with only a few laps remaining, his motor went up in smoke.

Coddington picked up the lead and the win as Bauregard exited the pits. Bruce Blaker, another top-three contender also had motor problems dropping him from contention.

Shane Morgan worked his way from the rear of the field to finish in the second spot over Brent Gonzales and Lee Brauthy. Roy Stevenson rounded out the top five finishers.

Lady Wildcats sign softball standouts

Pearl River Community College's ladies softball head coach Laurie Neelis has announced the signing of eight area standouts to grant-in-aid scholarships for the 2001 season.

Local signees include



Williamae Fulton of Bay St. Louis. Fulton was a center fielder for the Bay High Lady Tigers.

Also signed was Candice Gail Hyatt. Hyatt was the catcher for Hancock High's Lady Hawks this past season. She was also a standout forward on the basketball team and threw the shot and discuss for the track team. She is the daughter of Elton and Pamela Hyatt of Perkinston.

Fire Dogs name Players of Week

The Mississippi Fire Dogs have announced the team's selections for offensive and defensive players of the game after the Fire Dogs' 51-28 win over Idaho.

For the second week in a row, first year receiver Lamont Woodberry, who accounted for two touchdowns, was selected offensive player of the team.

Woodberry had a game high seven receptions for 76 yards. Defensive player of the game goes to two players, both players in their first year with the Fire



Dogs. Defensive Lineman Franklin Thomas, who had six tackles, two of which were for a loss, one sack, a blocked pass and a blocked field goal.

Co-defensive player of the game goes to Linebacker Jarvis Spencer who had six solo tackles and tied the game at 22-22 in the second quarter

with his fumble recovery for a touchdown to turn the tables against the Stallions.

For information, call the Mississippi Fire Dogs office at 228-388-1876.

Fishermen: A net gain may lead to a big loss

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) reminds fishermen that Section 49-15-100.3 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 has been amended as follows:

The possession of a gill net, trammel net or like contrivance, or any other equipment prohibited for use in the taking or harvesting of seafood under this chapter on a vessel on the marine waters of this state where the use of the net, contrivance or equipment is prohibited, shall constitute prima facie evidence that an offense has been committed to take or harvest seafood with nets, contrivances or equipment prohibited by this chapter, unless the vessel is:

- (a) Anchored or moored at a permanent facility intended for the mooring of vessels;
- (b) Traveling directly between a marina, harbor or

public boat launching facility and a United States Coast Guard marked and maintained navigation channel; or

(c) Traveling within a United States Coast Guard marked and maintained navigation channel.

This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2000.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life; public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes.

Pass Ladies Golf results

Pass Christian Isles Ladies Golf Association July 6 Low Net/Low Putts winners include:

Low net over the field, Sara Schexnaydre; second, Peggy Benandi and Dee Horst; third, Jolee Burrus and Pat Bartman; and fourth, Jody Mikulas, Helen Smith and Joyce Viehmann.

Low putts, Terry Scott; chip-ins, Peggy Benandi, Mary Jo Delligatti, Nancy Hanby, Helen Smith, Joan Anderson and Sara Schexnaydre.

9-Holers: low net, Gwenn Voigts; second, Lisa Couey; low putts, Pat McClellan.

Fishing license required

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) reminds recreational fishermen that Section 49-15-313 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 has been amended as follows:

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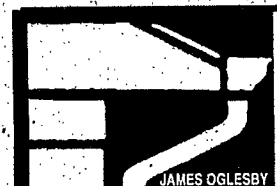


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Special to the Echo
When thinking of theatre the names John Kander and Fred Ebb may not be on the tip of most people's tongues, but their work is not as easily forgotten. "Cabaret," "Chicago," "Zorba," and "New York, New York" are among some of their creations for the American musical stage which are featured in Carey Dinner Theatre's first production of the 2000 season.

For nearly five decades, composer Kander and lyricist Ebb have been one of Broadway's preeminent songwriting teams, the longest-running music and lyrics partnership in Broadway history. Critics have said that "Kander and Ebb combine razzmatazz with a political conscience, and make brazen spires seem a kind of moral courage." Evidence of this can be seen in their Tony, Oscar, and Emmy award winning work.

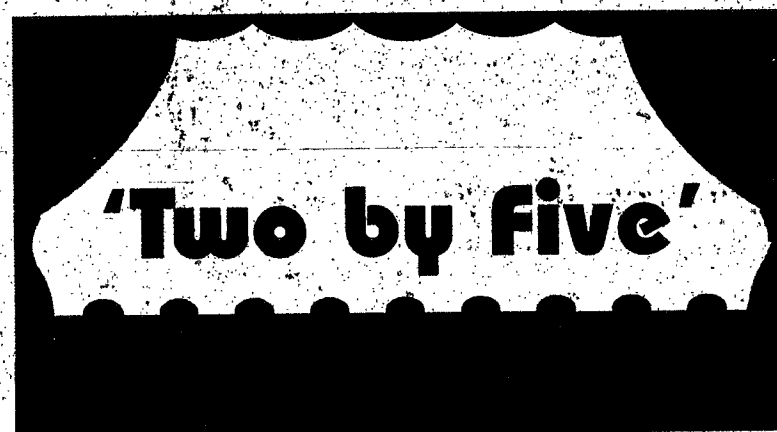
Carey Dinner Theatre will celebrate the work of this distinguished pair when it opens the 26th season with the musical

revue "Two By Five." The production opens June 15 and runs through July 1 on the William Carey College Hattiesburg campus.

"Two By Five" features the title songs from "Cabaret," "New York, New York," "Razzle Dazzle" from "Chicago," "Only Love" from "Zorba," and other beloved and familiar songs.

The performers are Samantha Breland, a WCC student from Wiggins; Jason McBride of Hattiesburg, a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi; Candace Rose Perez, a WCC student from Ocean Springs; Brooke Quinn of Wiggins, a graduate of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College (MGCCC); Hannah Wilkerson, a WCC student from Huntsville, Ala.; Jonathan Pope Evans of Falkville, Ala., a graduate of WCC, will serve as choreographer for both shows and performer for "Two By Five."

Managing director is O. L. Quave, chair and professor of



the theatre and communication department at Carey. Shannon Robert, associate professor of theatre at Carey, is lighting and scenic designer of the production.

Musical director and pianist is Howard Keever, professor of music at WCC. Kelly James of Meridian and Kristina Lucka of Bratislava, Slovakia are costume designers.

The cast is supported by the technical staff of Zachary Brown from Tupelo; Jarrod Hegwood from Hammond; Sara McGuyer of Hattiesburg; Charlie Wallace from Hattiesburg; and Beth Winter of Tupelo. Brown, Hegwood, McGuyer, Wallace, and Winter

are WCC students majoring in theatre. Werner du Plessis, a MGCCC student from Kwazulu Natal, South Africa also serves on the technical crew. Karen Bowlby, a WCC theatre student from Zachary, La. serves as house manager.

Dinner is served nightly at 7 p.m. in the O. L. Quave Theatre, with the performance following. There are no shows Sundays and Mondays.

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The annual Prairie Arts Festival, first held in 1979, was

a modest downtown arts and crafts fair compared to the premier attraction it has become. This year, on September 2, over 30,000 people and more than 700 exhibitors are expected to visit historic West Point for the weekend festival.

Regularly chosen as one of the Southeast's Top 20 Events by the Southeastern Tourism Society, the PAF hosts hundreds of arts, crafts and antique exhibitors, as well as food and concessions vendors, a fun and games area for children, four stages of entertainment, a Friday night blues festival and a weekend-capping Concert in the Park and street dance.

For information on events or to register as a vendor, contact the Clay County Economic Development Corp. at 662-494-5121.

Hillyer House exhibits

The June-July exhibits at Hillyer House include "Children," watercolors by Jeri Gremillion; "Fish," sculpture pottery by Pat Hudson of the Gulf Coast; hand-blown glass oil lamps by Roger Vines of Oregon; and glass and sterling jewelry by Bettina Presman of Maryland.

The collection is on display and for sale.



New exhibit at Discovery Center

The Lynn Meadows Discovery Center has an exciting new outdoor exhibit, Bear Creek. Children fish off the pier, hunt for turtles in the creek, excavate in the sand and play hide and seek in the caking. "Bear Creek is an inviting, special place in our woods," said Mary Cordray, associate director of the Discovery Center, "where children can use their imagination to discover and explore."

"Pass-along" plants collected from yards and gardens along the Coast were used in landscaping the new exhibit. Bruce Griebel of Griebel's Landscaping in Gulfport created the landscape designs for the area and coordinated the "pass-along" plant project.

"The landscaping was a community effort," said Griebel, "that produced a wonderful, learning exhibit for children at the Discovery Center."

The Lynn Meadows

Discovery Center, Mississippi Travel Attraction of the Year, has welcomed more than 135,000 visitors since opening in May 1998.

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Field trip to the Global Wildlife Center in Folsom, Louisiana



Michelle Brack (standing) and Amy Clark (sitting) pet a camel as Ellena Bunting, Christina Bosche, and Robert Walley look on.



Miss Scarlett Lynn's eighth grade science classes from Bay High enjoyed a recent field trip to the Global Wildlife Center in Folsom, LA. Students boarded covered wagons to tour a replica of an African grassland where they interacted with deer, llamas, ebras, camels, antelopes, and many other animals.

Sea Wolves read to students at North Bay Elementary



David Paradise of the Mississippi Sea Wolves visited with and read a story to Ms. Gorum's multi-age class at North Bay Elementary.



Bob Woods of the Mississippi Sea Wolves pictured with Mrs. Hansen and her second grade class at North Bay Elementary. Mr. Woods read a story to the class.

Math-a-thon fundraiser at Waveland Elementary



The students of Waveland Elementary participated in the Math-a-thon this spring. The monies will help the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital. Our children worked 210 math problems in a funbook. The children worked hard to raise money to help these children; and raised \$842.00. The children that participated in the Math-a-thon were Antoinette Lotz, Sara Holcomb, Danielle Siegel, Harley Farve, Robbie Abshire, Caitlyn Spell, Jennifer Kendricks, Tyler Normand, Ashley Hovey, Shea Bean, Jody Favre, Nina Williams, Ashley Francis, Bryce Duprey, Dustin Peterson, Hilce Garcia, Lacy Abshire, and Kiley Hovey. The students that raised more than \$50.00 were Bryce Duprey, Tyler Normand, Jennifer Kendricks, Danielle Siegel, and Brett Morreals. The children of Waveland Elementary did a great job on this project. The children who go to the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital thank you tremendously.



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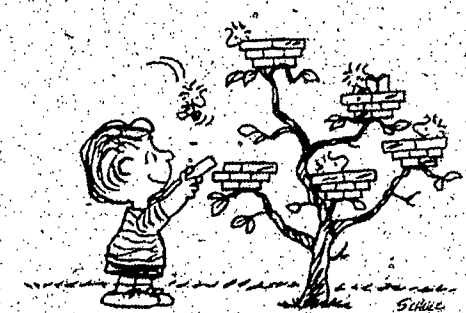
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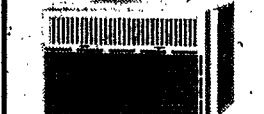
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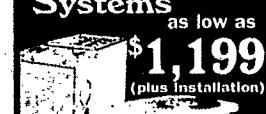
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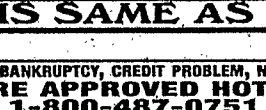
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Roberta Salyers of Coeburn, Va., left, and Melissa K. Knight of Bay St. Louis are receiving \$500 academic scholarships from a Mississippi State University women's organization. The Faculty and Professional Women's Association annually recognizes students whose grade-point average is 3.8 or greater, based on a 4.0 scale. Salyers, a doctoral candidate in sociology, received the graduate award, while Knight, a senior biological engineering major, was the undergraduate recipient. Knight is the daughter of Johnnie Knight and Linda Knight and is a graduate of Our Lady Academy, where she was salutatorian.



Geographic Bee

Brian Seagren, a fourth grade student at Hancock North Central Elementary and son of Janice and Wayne Seagren of Pass Christian, recently advanced to the state level competition of the 2000 National Geographic Bee held in April at Hinds Community College. He was the winner of the school competition and placed in the top 100 statewide on a written examination. The 12th annual National Geographic Bee was sponsored by the National Geographic Society.

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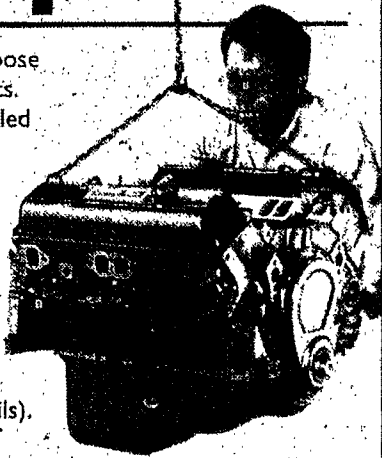
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Magnificat schedules 'Life in the Spirit' day

Hancock County residents may begin registering for a 'Life in the Spirit' day, sponsored by Magnificat Gulf Coast. The Saturday, June 17 event is set for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. James Catholic Church, Gulfport.

A worldwide ministry for Catholic women, Magnificat focuses on charismatic renewal as outlined by Vatican II.

The organization said this is the first time, due to requests, a day set aside to be empowered by the Holy Spirit has been sponsored by them.

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VFW Ladies Auxiliary 3252 has roast beef po-boy sale

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary 3252, Bay St. Louis, will have a roast beef po-boy sale Friday, June 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m., eat in or take-outs. Call 467-9184.

Krewe of Diamondhead announces new officers

The Krewe of Diamondhead Captain Benny Mistretta announced the new officers elected to serve the Krewe for this coming Mardi Gras Season.

The newly elected officers are president, Hilda Bourg; secretary, Pat Outlaw; and treasurer, Jean Jamot.

Krewe of Diamondhead dates to remember are: July 28, Cocktail Party; October 6, Country/Western Party; November 4, German Fest; December 2, Coronation Ball; February 17, Mardi Gras Ball; and February 24, Krewe of Diamondhead annual Mardi Gras parade on the streets of Diamondhead. All the krewe's activities will be held in the Diamondhead Country Club.



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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CREIGHTON AND MARY PETRICH PLAINTIFFS
VERSUS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, COUNTY OF HANCOCK, MIKE MOORE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARARRA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, MR. AND MRS. EDWARD E. HERMAN, (COUNT I), EDWIN CARVER, (COUNT II), AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND IN EXHIBIT "A-1" AND "A-2," WHICH SOLD FOR TAXES ON: AUGUST 28, 1997 (COUNT I) AND ON AUGUST 28, 1998 AND AUGUST 28, 1997 (COUNT II) DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
CAUSE NO. 2000-347
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO: MR. AND MRS. EDWARD E. HERMAN, (COUNT I), EDWIN CARVER, (COUNT II), AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT WHICH SOLD FOR TAXES ON: AUGUST 28, 1998 AND ON AUGUST 28, 1997.

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by CREIGHTON AND MARY PETRICH, Plaintiff, seeking the removal of clouds on title by confirmation of tax sale and for other relief. Defendant other than you in this action are STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, COUNTY OF HANCOCK, MIKE MOORE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARARRA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 O'clock A.M. on the 21st day of August, 2000, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 8th day of May 2000.
 (Seal)

Timothy Keller
 Clerk of Hancock
 County, Mississippi
 By: Larnell Scarborough
 06/08/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
SEAN PETRICH PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, COUNTY OF HANCOCK, MIKE MOORE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARARRA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, APOSTOLOS P. CHELMS, AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT WHICH SOLD FOR TAXES ON: AUGUST 28, 1998.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
CAUSE NO. 2000-348
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO: APOSTOLOS P. CHELMS, AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT WHICH SOLD FOR TAXES ON: AUGUST 28, 1998.

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by SEAN PETRICH, Plaintiff, seeking the removal of clouds on title by confirmation of tax sale and for other relief. Defendant other than you in this action are STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, COUNTY OF HANCOCK, MIKE MOORE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CONO CARARRA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 O'clock A.M. on the 21st day of August, 2000, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 8th day of May 2000.
 (Seal)

Timothy Keller
 Clerk of Hancock
 County, Mississippi
 By: Larnell Scarborough
 06/08/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CHARLES MCFARLAND PLAINTIFF
VS.
CHARLES M. GOODWIN, ET AL DEFENDANTS

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CIVIL CAUSE NO. 2000-378
TO: (1) Charles M. Goodwin, a live, who last known address, both post office and street address, is 624 Ella Avenue, Apartment E-3, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521, and if he is deceased, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, the unknown heirs at law or devisees of Charles M. Goodwin, whose names and addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

(2) William Ernest Gill, Jr., a live, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 1115 Prospect Avenue, Sparks, NV 89431, after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, the unknown heirs at law or devisees of William Ernest Gill, Jr., whose names and addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

(3) Marjorie Eileen Butters Gill, a live, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 1115 Prospect Avenue, Sparks, NV 89431, after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, the unknown heirs at law or devisees of Marjorie Eileen Butters Gill, whose names and addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

(4) Lawrence J. Falcon, a live, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 4248 South Johnson Street, New Orleans, LA 70125, after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, the unknown heirs at law or devisees of Lawrence J. Falcon, whose names and addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

(5) And Any and All Other Persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to the land described as follows:

COUNT 1.
 Lots 57 and 58, Block 155, Bayshore Park Subdivision, Unit 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

COUNT 2.
 Lots 23 and 24, Block 305, Bayshore Park Subdivision, Unit 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

COUNT 3.
 Lots 25 and 26, Block 21, Harbor Estates, First Addition, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You have been made a Defendant in this lawsuit as a result of the complaint or petition filed in this Court by CHARLES MCFARLAND, Plaintiff, whose address is c/o George H. Lipscomb, Jr., P.O. Box 2114, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

The complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title.

You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the complaint, and in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to George H. Lipscomb, Jr., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 2114, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 25TH DAY OF MAY, 2000, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO FILED, MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

Witness my signature and official seal this 22nd day of May, 2000.
 (Seal)

Timothy A. Keller
 Chancery Clerk
 Hancock County, Mississippi
 By: JANET LADNER
 05/25, 6:11-8:00

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
FRANCES M. HERRON, PLAINTIFF
VS.
EDWARD C. HEALY, HILDA FLEMING HEALY AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, DEFENDANTS

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. 2000-382
TO: (1) Edward C. Healy, a live, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 723 Exposition Boulevard, New Orleans, LA 70118, after diligent search and inquiry, and if he is dead, his unknown heirs at law or devisees, whose names, last known addresses, both post office and street addresses are unknown. After diligent search and inquiry.

(2) Hilda Fleming Healy, a live, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 723 Exposition Boulevard, New Orleans, LA 70118, after diligent search and inquiry, and if she is dead, her unknown heirs at law or devisees, whose names, last known addresses, both post office and street addresses are unknown. After diligent search and inquiry.

(3) ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LAND.

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by FRANCES M. HERRON, Plaintiff, whose address is c/o George H. Lipscomb, Jr., P.O. Box 2114, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

The complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title.

You are required to file with the Chancery Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the complaint, and in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to George H. Lipscomb, Jr., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 2114, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 25TH DAY OF MAY, 2000, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO FILED, MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

Witness my signature and official seal this 25th day of May, 2000.
 (Seal)

Timothy A. Keller
 Chancery Clerk
 Hancock County, Mississippi
 By: Larnell Scarborough
 05/25, 06/01, 06/08/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR F. KERNS
SUMMONS
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2000-388
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: ARTHUR F. KERNS, DECEASED, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose names and addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made a Defendant in the estate filed in this Court by GUSTAVE P. CANTRELLE, INITIATING a civil action against you in this action at 9:30 O'clock a.m. on the 28th day of July, 2000, before the Honorable Thomas W. Teel in the courtroom of the Hancock County Court Annex, Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, if you fail to appear or respond, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. If you file an answer, you are required to mail or deliver a written response to the Petitioner, J.P. Comperta, P.O. Box 57, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. You must file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of the filing of the petition.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 23rd day of May, 2000.
 (Seal)

TIM A. KELLAR,
 Clerk of the Chancery Court
 Hancock County
 P.O. Box 57
 Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
 05/25, 06/01, 06/08/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR F. KERNS
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2000-388
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ARTHUR F. KERNS, Deceased
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
 Letters of Administration having been granted on the 23rd day of May, 2000, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of ARTHUR F. KERNS, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice.

This 23rd day of May, 2000.
 GUSTAVE P. CANTRELLE
 Administrator

J.P. COMPERTA
 Attorney at Law
 841 HWY 90
 P.O. Box 57
 Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
 Telephone No. (228) 467-1010
 05/25, 06/01, 06/08/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, BY ILLONA JONES, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR, AND J. M. A. A MINOR, BY AND THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND, ILLONA JONES, PETITIONERS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO: MICHAEL FREDERICK ALPHA, who is not to be named in the State of Mississippi on diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and whose last post office address and street address was 3701 Hurst Boulevard, #22, Metairie, Louisiana, and whose present post office address and street address is unknown to the Petitioners after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, BY ILLONA JONES, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR, AND J. M. A. A MINOR, BY AND THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND, ILLONA JONES, PETITIONERS.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 20TH DAY OF JULY, 2000, IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY COURTHOUSE AT BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, THIS 25TH DAY OF MAY, 2000.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,
 CHANCERY CLERK
 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
 BY: JANET LADNER
 DEPUTY CLERK
 05/25, 6:11-8:00

W. Welborn Johnson
 Special Assistant Attorney General
 Office of the Attorney General
 Post Office Box 220
 Jackson, Mississippi 39205-0220
 Telephone No. 601/569-3935
 MS Bar No. 3155
 6/01, 6/08, 6/15/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LINCOLN L. REYNOLDS, DECEASED, INITIATING A CIVIL ACTION FOR PROBATE AND REGISTRATION OF CLAIMS
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
 Letters of Administration having been granted on the 28th day of May, 2000, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of LINCOLN L. REYNOLDS, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication of this notice.

Failure to do so will bar the claim.
 This 30th day of May, 2000.

KELLY ANN DEAN
 John F. Keller, PLLC
 412 Highway 90
 Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
 (228) 467-1050
 06/01, 06/08, 06/15/2000

NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that MIKE PERNICARIO MINI STORAGE, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of Chris Gary, whose unit no. is 31, and whose last known address was 1641 Penny Dr., Blount, MS 39031. The sale shall take place at 604 Faith St., Waveland, MS on the 26th day of June, 2000.
 6/8, 9/15, 6/22/2000

NOTICE
 The Board of Trustees of Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District adopted a resolution to increase ad valorem tax levied pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated § 27-7-105 in the amount of 7%.
 6/1, 6/8, 6/15/2000

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
MARJORIE NEILL LADNER, PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
BILLY WAYNE LADNER, DEFENDANT.
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
CAUSE NO. 98-0621

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: Billy Wayne Ladner
 92423 Highway 503
 Kinkaid, MS
 28590 Wolf Creek Road
 Pass Christian, MS

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Marjorie Neill Ladner, Plaintiff, seeking a judgment in Contempt and for a Modification of the Judgment of Divorce dated October 19, 1999.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Motion for Contempt and for a Modification of the Judgment of Divorce dated October 19, 1999.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issue my hand and the seal of said Court, this 16th day of May, 2000.
 (Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
 Clerk of Hancock County
 By: Eric Cantrell, D.O.
 5/18, 5/25, 6/1, 6/8/2000

LEGAL NOTICE
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION
MISSISSIPPI STATE TAX COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 540
MADISON
MS 39130-0540

We, the officers of E.S.B., Inc., intend to make application for a transfer in location of: an On-Premise Retailer Permit Under the provisions of the Local Option Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws 67-1-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972.

If granted a transfer from E.S.B., Inc., doing business as South Beach Food & Spirits, who is now operating at 200 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS.

We propose to operate under the trademark of Coyote Bar at 306 Coleman Ave., Waveland, MS 39576 of Hancock County.

The name(s), title(s) and address(es) of the owner(s)/partner(s)/corporate officer(s) and/or majority stockholder(s) of the above named business are:

Susan Blache, Pres. & Treasurer
 E.J. Blache, Vice Pres. & Secretary
 This the 5 day of June, 2000.
 6/8; 6/11/2000

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANDRE B. VINSON, MINOR CHILD, RENEE BOUDREAUX AND PATRICK S. BOUDREAUX PETITIONERS

CAUSE NO. 2000-14(A)
(Service by Publication: Residence Unknown)
TO: TIMOTHY W. MORRIS, who last known place of residence is 1801 N. 19th Apt. A-1, EUSTIS FLORIDA 32726, who have present residence and address is UNKNOWN, who have been made a Defendant in the Complaint filed in the CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, Mississippi, Judicial District, by PATRICK BOUDREAUX AND RENEE BOUDREAUX, seeking the OPTION OF ANDRE B. VINSON.

You are required to mail or hand deliver, a copy of a written Answer, either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint, to EUSTIS FLORIDA 32726, and in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to the Petitioner, J.P. Comperta, P.O. Box 57, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. You must file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable amount of time after the date of the filing of the petition.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 23rd day of May, 2000.
 (Seal)

TIMOTHY KELLAR
 Chancery Clerk
 Hancock County, Mississippi
 By: Janet Ladner, Clerk
 05/25, 06/01, 06/08/2000

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
 Reference: Region 13 Commission for MHMR d.b.a. Gulf Coast Mental Health Center Port Blenville Industrial Park 10,000-Square Foot Plastics Transfer Building. Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for a 10,000-Square Foot Plastics Transfer Building in the Port Blenville Industrial Park, Hancock County, Mississippi, will be received by the Commission, 3503 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, until 2:30 P.M. CST, June 30th, 2000.

A complete set of the Contract Documents may be obtained from the Commission, 3503 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, telephone (601) 467-2770 by qualified and licensed contractors upon payment of \$100.00. The payment is non-refundable. Bidders are to submit a bid for the building contractor. The Contractor shall be a licensed contractor in the state of Mississippi.

Prospective bidders are cautioned that, in order to be valid, bids must clearly show the Contractor's Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number both on the outside of the bid envelope as well as a part of the bid package.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality and/or to reject any or all bids, as well as to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the bid opening.

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Notice is hereby given that MIKE PERNICARIO MINI STORAGE, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of Chris Gary, whose unit no. is 31, and whose last known address was 1641 Penny Dr., Blount, MS 39031. The sale shall take place at 604 Faith St., Waveland, MS on the 26th day of June, 2000.
 6/8, 6/15, 6/22/2000

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
 THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES IS SOLICITING PROPOSALS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE NEXT TIDELANDS TRUST FUNDING CYCLE (FISCAL YEAR 2002).

SUBMITTED PROPOSALS WILL BE REVIEWED AND PRIORITIZED ACCORDING TO ESTABLISHED RANKING CRITERIA. THE FUNDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG APPROPRIATED PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMISSION ON TIDELANDS TRUST FUNDING APPLICATIONS. APPROVED 5-YEAR TIDELANDS PLAN REQUEST FOR FUNDING APPLICATIONS. DATES LISTED ABOVE.

05/18, 05/25, 06/08/2000.

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on August 28, 1998, David Whitley and Barbara Penton and Dona Whitley executed a deed of trust to Samuel Christopher Johnson, trustee for the benefit of Freedom Financial Services, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, whose deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 526 at Page 463 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to wit:

WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to United Mortgage, Inc. by instrument dated August 28, 1998, and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 528 at Page 474; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to United Mortgage Lending Corporation by instrument dated February 22, 2000, and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 583 at Page 685; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid United Mortgage Lending Corporation, the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John C. Underwood, Jr., as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms of said deed of trust, and by instrument dated April 4, 2000, recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 587 at Page 786; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, United Mortgage Lending Corporation, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, John C. Underwood, Jr., Substituted Trustee, will sell to the highest bidder, on the 27th day of June, 2000, at 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. (P.M.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property:

Lot 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 49, Square 336, Bayshore Park Subdivision, Unit 4, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said subdivision recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Together with all and singular the rights, privileges, improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging in any wise appertaining.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
JOHN C. UNDERWOOD, JR.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE

Control #00010030
 06/01, 06/08, 06/15, 06/22/2000.

TO: OSVALDO GOMEZ
 10075 SW 163 PL
 MIAMI, FL 33195
CASE NO. 0200-003
FILE NO. 2000-003

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO FORFEIT SAID PROPERTY
 You are hereby notified that on February 24, 2000 in Hancock County, Mississippi, the property listed and described below was seized by the Hancock County Narcotics Task Force and is now in the custody of the Sheriff's Office, 441-29-178. Miss. Code Ann. §41-29-178 provides for the administrative forfeiture of property other than controlled substances, and the forfeiture of property seized under the Uniform Controlled Substances Law, the value of which does not exceed \$10,000.00.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
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 APPROX. VALUE
 \$3,500.00

Said vehicle being subject to forfeiture under the provisions of §941-29-153(b)(4) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, having been used, or intended for use, to transport or to facilitate the transportation, sale, receipt, possession or concealment of controlled substances or property derived from the proceeds of the sale of controlled substances in violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Law.

TO: CONTEST THE FORFEITURE:
 If you claim an interest in the above-described property you are subject to the forfeiture within thirty (30) days of the date of the filing of this Notice, file a petition, signed by you contesting the forfeiture and requesting judicial review in the county court, if a county court exists, or otherwise in the circuit court of the county in which the seizure is made, or the county (and district) in which the criminal prosecution is brought, in order to claim an interest in the property. Upon the filing of the Petition and the payment of the filing fees, a hearing will be held on the matter. The hearing will be held on the 1st day of the month following the date of the seizure. The hearing will be held at the court of the county in which the seizure is made, and the proceeding shall thereafter be governed by the Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure.

Girl Scout Religious Award winners



Front row from left, Amanda Bartlett, Erica Palmer, Maina Campbell, Jamie Jelinski, Jennifer Odom, Lauren Necaise and Callie McCleskey; middle row, Erica Hammons, Patricia Arroyo, Hannah Ryan, Lauren Ray, Cecilia McManus, Samantha Warnke, Samantha McLeod, Rheanne Nunn, Alyce Brogle and Jessica Jelinski; in back, Bishop Joseph Howze.

Girl Scouts from across the Coast gathered at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral in Biloxi to receive Catholic Religious Awards from Bishop Joseph Lawson

Howze. The Scouts attended a workshop in January sponsored by Annunciation Parish. After completing several activities over a period of a few months, their program booklets were approved by each Scout's parish priest and applications were sent to the Diocesan Youth Director. Twenty-one scouts were eligible to receive the medals. The "Family of God" medal was awarded to Brownie

Scouts in second or third grade. The program had the Scouts explore a wide range of activities to discover the presence of God in their daily lives as members of a family and the parish. The "I Live My Faith" medal was awarded to Junior Scouts in fourth to sixth grade.

The program contained projects that helped the Scouts to be more aware of the role God and religion play in daily life, to develop as a Christian and to participate as a citizen in neighborhoods and cities.

In a special Catholic Mass dedicated to all Girl Scouts, Bishop Howze presented each girl with the appropriate medal. The recipients for the "Family of God" medal were: from Troop #340,

Kiln/Diamondhead, Jamie Jelinski, Callie McCleskey, Lauren Necaise, Jennifer Odom, Erica Palmer and Lauren Quakenbush; from Troop #428, Waveland, Kaitlin Collins and Alley Hennessey; and from Troop #548, Biloxi, Amanda Clare Bartlett and Maina Campbell.

The recipients for the "I Live My Faith" medal were Troop #140, Long Beach, Kimberly Gilmore, Erica Hammons and Lauren Ray; Troop #242, Waveland, Samantha Warnke; Troop #356, Biloxi, Rheanne Nunn; Troop #269, Kiln/Diamondhead, Patricia Arroyo, Jessica Jelinski, Samantha McLeod, Cecilia McManus and Hannah Ryan; and Troop #447, Bay St. Louis, Alyce Brogle.

Mahler on Dean's List

Sarah Marie Mahler, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Mahler of Pass Christian, was named to the Dean's List by Dr. Matthew A. Beemer, vice president for academic affairs, at Pensacola Christian College, for academic achievement during the 2000 spring semester. This was a result of earning a B average or higher.

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, there was executed by HOUSTON J. DORR and DEANNA A. DORR, unto AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCE, INC., a deed of trust, dated November 30, 1998, recorded in Book 535, Page 057 Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust of Hancock County, Mississippi, which said instrument conveys the following described real property, situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Lot 55 and 56, Block 5, Amended Plat of Unit 2, Diamondhead, Phase 1, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 19-20, inclusive in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Together with all and singular the rights, privileges, improvements, and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining. This conveyance is made subject to all prior reservations, restrictions, easements and right of way of record. WHEREAS, AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCE, INC., appointed DOUGLAS L. TYNES, as Substituted Trustee, in said Deed of Trust, in the place and stead of THOMAS EDGEMORTH, by Appointment of Substituted Trustee, dated April 28, 2000, recorded in Book 589, Page 852, Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust of Hancock County, Mississippi, and, WHEREAS, default having been made and still continuing in the payment of said indebtedness, and when due, and the holder and owner of the Deed of Trust and Note, "same," AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCE, INC., has requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to foreclose said Deed of Trust, as provided therein, in the event of default, for the purpose of raising the sum so secured and unpaid, together with the expense of selling same, including Trustee's fees and Attorney's fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DOUGLAS L. TYNES, Substituted Trustee, under the powers of and by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in the said Deed of Trust, will, on the 30th day of June, A.D. 2000, within the legal hours, at the Main front Door of the Hancock County Courthouse, in the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, offer for sale and sell said property, at public outcry, to the highest and best bidder, for cash.

The undersigned Substituted Trustee will convey only such title as is vested in him by virtue of the above described Deed of Trust and Appointment of Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 26th day of May, A.D. 2000.

DOUGLAS L. TYNES, Substituted Trustee

06/08/00; 06/15/00; 06/22/00; 06/29/2000

NOTICE OF CONDOMINIUM LIEN SALE

WHEREAS, GARY E. HUNT is the owner of the following described condominium unit in Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, there presently exists an unpaid assessment made against said condominium unit by Lakeside Villa Association, Inc., which is the legally authorized and designated management body of Lakeside Villa Condominium; and

WHEREAS, to secure the payment of said unpaid assessment, the Lakeside Villa Association, Inc., caused a Notice of Lien to be filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 19th day of May, 2000, said Notice of Lien being recorded in Condominium Lien Book No. 6, pages 497-498;

NOW, THEREFORE, Public notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, as attorney for Lakeside Villa Association, Inc., in accordance with the provisions of Section 53-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, will, on the 20th day of June, 2000, within legal hours, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described condominium unit located in Hancock County, Mississippi:

Apartment 224, Building C, Lakeside Villa Condominium, Diamondhead, Hancock County, Mississippi, as recorded in Plat Book No. 4, at pages 58-59, inclusive, and according to the Deed of Trust Y-2, at pages 366-407, of the Public Records on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Together with all of the appurtenances thereto according to the said Declaration of Condominium, including an undivided 42 percent interest in said common elements of said condominium as described in said Declaration, including the land hereinafter described, and the building located thereon.

DATED this 23rd day of May, 2000

JOHN A. SCARF JR., Attorney For Lakeside Villa Association, Inc.

05/25/00; 6/1/00; 6/15/2000

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on November 26, 1999, Richard Thill, a single person, executed a certain deed of trust to Robert L. Johnson, Trustee for the benefit of Whitney National Bank, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 574, Page 738; and

WHEREAS, said deed of trust was subsequently assigned to Standard Mortgage Corporation by instrument dated December 3, 1999 and recorded in Book 590 at Page 37 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and

WHEREAS, Standard Mortgage Corporation has heretofore substituted J. Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument dated April 24, 2000 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 590 at Page 40; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Standard Mortgage Corporation, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Gary Massey, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will, on June 9, 2000 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, located at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 16, 17 and 18, Block 8, JOURDAN RIVER OAKS SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Together with all and singular the rights, privileges, improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on May 10, 2000

J. Gary Massey

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE for Standard Mortgage Corporation

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05/18/00; 05/25/00; 06/08/2000.

Public Notices

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, on or about March 1, 1999, Paul Mullins and wife, Barbara Mullins executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to Daniel B. Shelling, Trustee for the benefit of Rounder Jackson, which Deed of Trust is duly recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust in Book 543 at page 381 thereof.

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust provided for the appointment of Substituted Trustee dated April 26, 2000, and which appears of record in the record in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust in Book 589, Page 441 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi;

WHEREAS, said mortgages, Paul Mullins and Barbara Mullins defaulted in the terms of the above described Note and Deed of Trust by failing to maintain hazard insurance and breach of other covenants, and under the terms of said Note and Deed of Trust the entire amount of said indebtedness declared due and payable;

WHEREAS, Rounder Jackson has demanded that the same be foreclosed in the manner provided therein so as to satisfy the indebtedness thereby secured;

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust provided for the sale of said property at the Main front Door of the Hancock County Courthouse located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James L. Gray, Substituted Trustee, as aforesaid, will, on the 23rd day of June, 2000, offer for sale and sell the legal hours (between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main door of the Hancock County Courthouse, located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at the public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, together with the appurtenances and improvements thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the SW corner of the NE1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, running North 20 feet to a stake set for the place of beginning of the land herein described and conveyed, thence running East 395 feet, more or less, to the West line of a public road, thence running Northwesterly along said West line of said road a distance of 320 feet, more or less, to the NE corner of property acquired by R. V. Lowe and wife from Gaston Lee and wife, by deed dated December 10, 1975 and recorded in Vol. AA-6, page 46 of the Hancock County Deed Records; thence running West 395 feet, more or less, to the West line of the aforesaid Forty, thence running South 320 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. Containing 2.9 acres, more or less, being a part of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

LESS AND EXCEPT

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 200 feet for the Point of Beginning; thence North 100 feet, thence East 395 feet, thence South 15 feet, thence West 395 feet, more or less, to the Point of beginning, this parcel containing 0.91 acres and being a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

The above being the identical property described in the foregoing Deed of Trust as described herein.

The title to the above property is believed to be good; however, I will convey only such title as is vested in me under the terms and conditions of the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this 30th day of May, 2000

JAMES L. GRAY

Substituted Trustee

06/01/00; 06/08/00; 06/15/00; 06/22/2000

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06/01/00; 06/08/00; 06/15/00; 06/22/2000

John C. Underwood, Jr.

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE

06/01/00; 06/08/00; 06/15/00; 06/22/2000

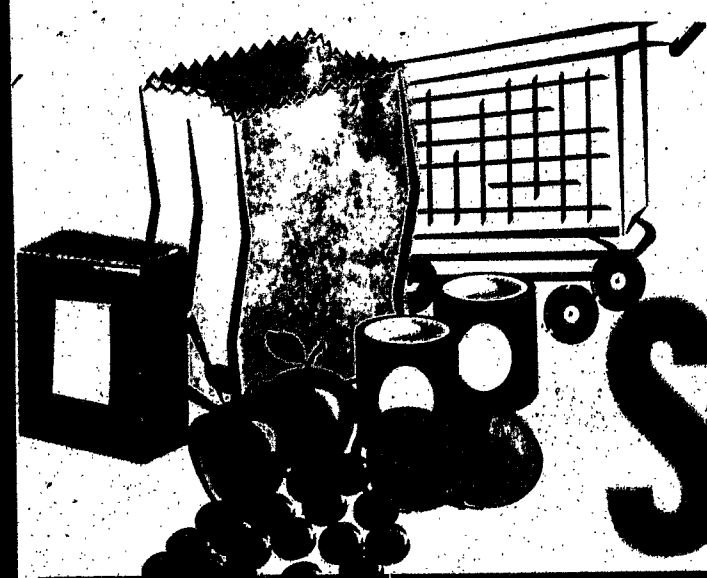
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